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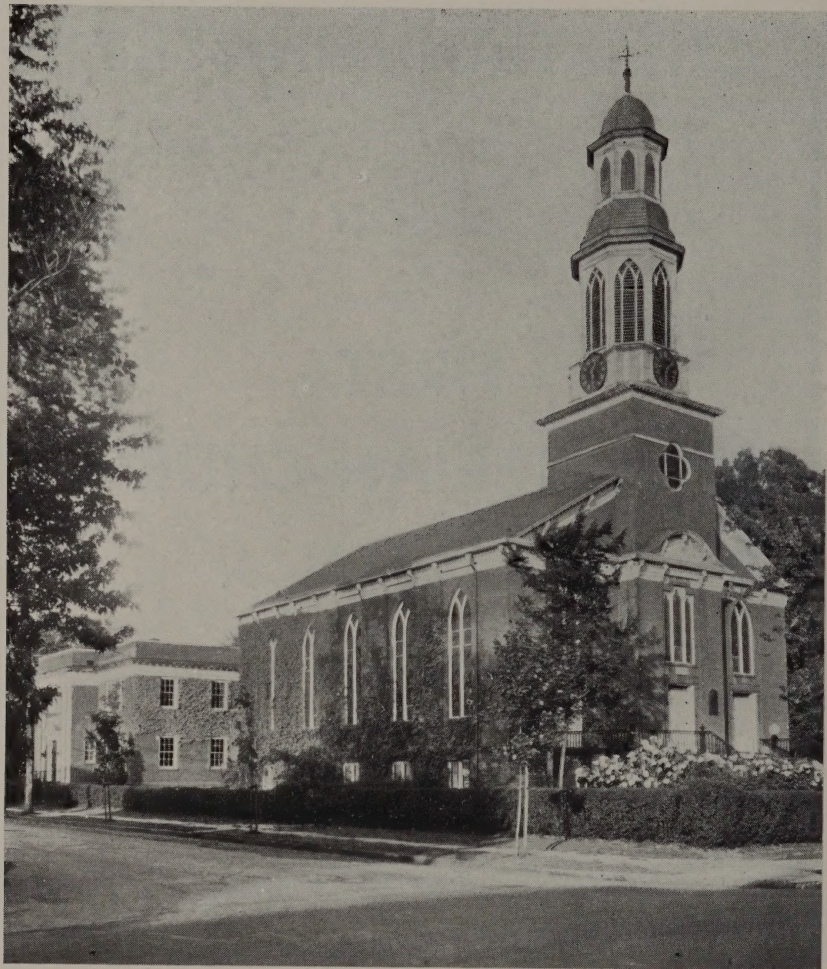


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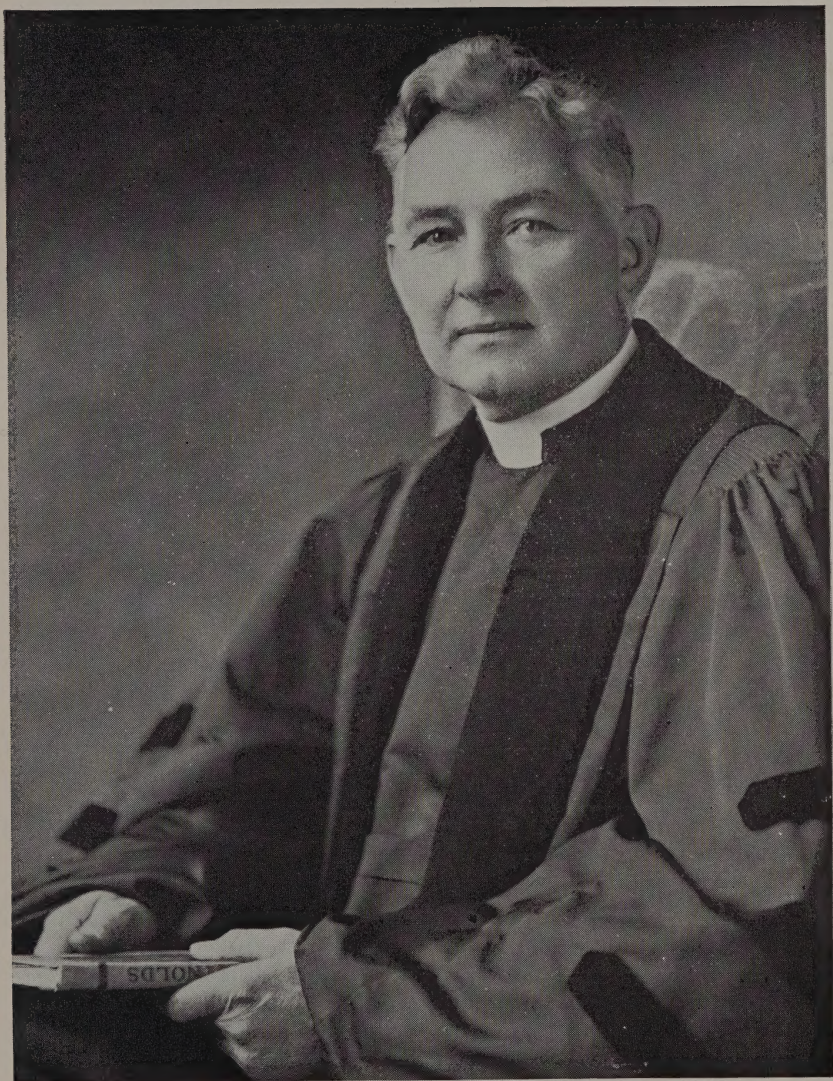


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## YEARS THAT SPEAK

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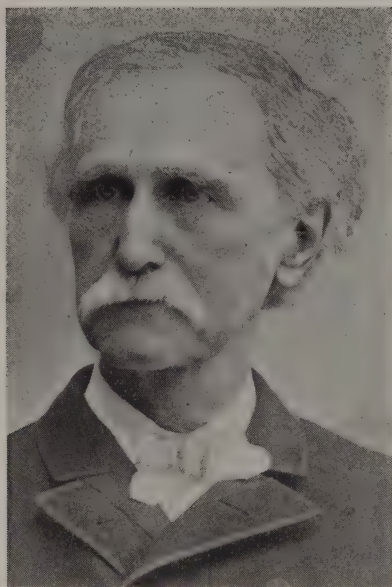
They must be heard! those glorious years  
That speak to us of yesterday!  
They tell of men who strove with sin  
And in their struggle learned to pray;  
Who dreaming of the Rule of Christ,  
Fought on to see that better day.

They tell of youth by vision moved,  
Who here before this altar stood  
And pledged their all in sacred trust  
To win the world to brotherhood;  
Who prayed and served and sacrificed  
As only men of vision would.

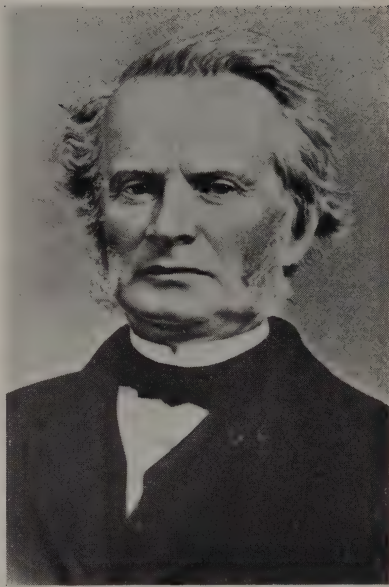
They tell of godly women, who,  
Like faithful Marthas, served the Lord,  
And Marys, too, who sat and learned,  
Enraptured with His precious word.  
Two hundred years of witnessing  
Speak now to us and must be heard.

Do we not hear those voices call:  
"Throw not away thy true birthright.  
Hold fast the visions that enthral  
And follow on with Christ, thy light.  
Withhold not aught; dare give thy all.  
Make Love thy way, and God thy might"?

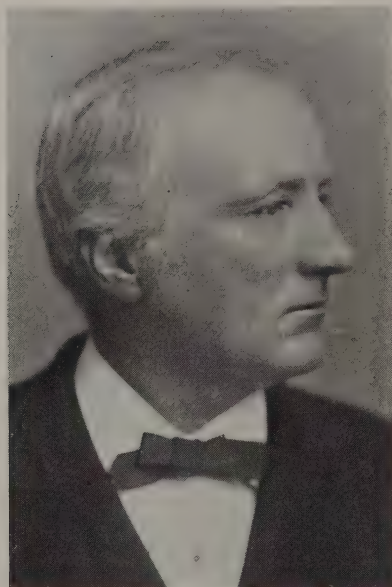
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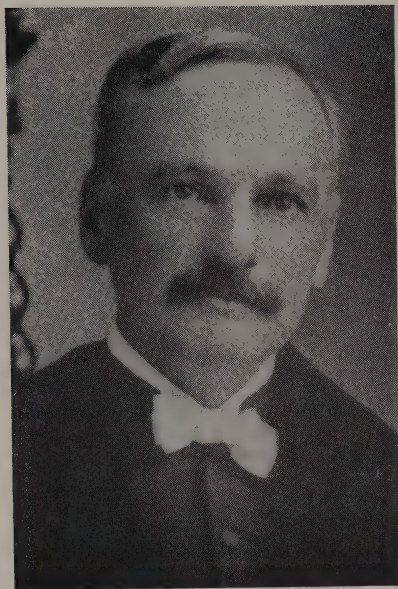
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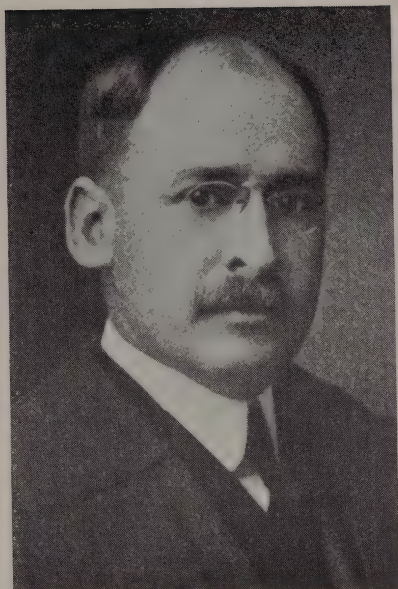
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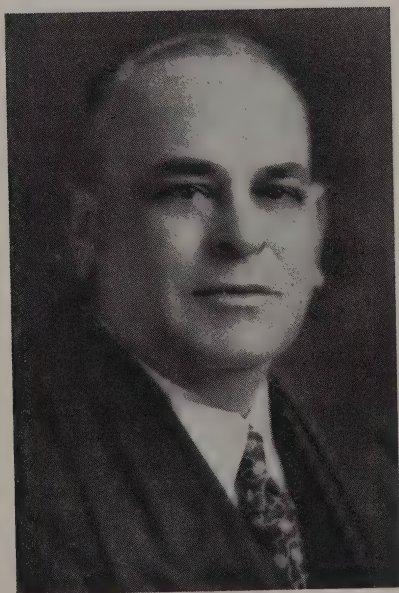
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Rev. George Hubbard Payson, D.D.  
1890—1904



Rev. Charles Franklin Shaw  
1904—1909



Rev. Loyal Young Graham, Jr.  
1910—1922

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## FOREWORD

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Celebration of the 200th anniversary of this church made it desirable, almost imperative, that an attempt be made to give a general outline of its ministry covering two centuries. Such an undertaking would require more time and research than the writer had at his disposal. Through the cooperation, however, of our pastor, various officers and members of the church and its different organizations, sufficient material has been obtained to give an abbreviated account of some of the church's outstanding activities and achievements.

This, and previous attempts to give the early history of this church, have been handicapped by the fact that early records until 1795 are lost. Therefore the first fifty-four years, a period when there should have been many occurrences of a romantic and heroic nature, can only be covered in a general way from Presbyterian records and contemporary history. There are subsequent periods of much lesser length for which records cannot be found. The absence of certain records emphasizes the need of a permanent historical committee who will see that adequate records are kept so that succeeding generations may have a complete and accurate account of what their predecessors have done.

The writer, therefore, pays tribute and expresses appreciation to the faithful and untiring workers who have searched all records at hand and have made their findings available for this volume. Representatives of the various church organizations have cooperated by furnishing statements of their activities. Among those who have cooperated to make this volume possible are: Miss Flora Graves, Miss Gladys Whitehead, Miss Edith Jardine, Miss Maude Mundrane, of the Historical Research Committee; also Mrs. Kenneth Ritchie, Mrs. W. H. C. Coles, Mrs. H. F. Mooney, Mrs. Theodore Ludlow, Miss Harriet Squier, Mrs. Oscar B. Garthwaite, Sr., Charles T. McKenzie, Miss Florence Grove, Mrs. Alfred C. Brooks, Mrs. Carl Aszman, Mrs. Frank Hayen, Mrs. Edward A. Schremp, Miss Elise Laurene, Miss Harriet Gerner, Miss Eva Roesch, Miss Mary Fabycki, J. Lawrence Hunter, Elliott H. Stofflet, Mrs. Ernest Kronenfeld, Miss Helen Squier, Donald W. Ruth, Melvin W. Reed, David Armstrong, Mrs. E. Benjamin Cyphers, Clifford Laurent, Mrs. Joseph Tosh, Charles A. Schults, Jr., Miss Mildred Ludlow, Miss Esther Martin, Rev. Chester M. Davis, D.D., and for early history to records of Rev. J. Jay Pomeroy and sermons of Rev. George H. Payson and Rev. L. Y. Graham, Jr.

WILLIAM F. DAVIS, Historian.

## THE CHURCH OFFICERS

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REV. CHESTER M. DAVIS, D.D., PASTOR

### Elders

George W. Mingus	Chalmers Reed
T. Clifford Laurent	J. Lawrence Hunter
A. Charles Oppel	Alfred C. Brooks
Charles A. Schults, Jr.	Joseph D. Person
	William F. Davis

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Mrs. Emma M. Pettit	Mrs. Samuel Tooker
Charles W. Ludlow	William M. Lints
Raymond E. Bennett	Samuel R. Morton
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## ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Rev. Chester M. Davis, D.D.	Minister
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## RAHWAY'S FIRST HOUSE OF WORSHIP

Two hundred years of virile Christian ministry have passed into the history of the First Presbyterian Church, of Rahway. Years, in which, at times, the very life of the nation has been imperiled. Times when the stress and strain of war, economic changes and reconstruction periods have stirred the souls and sentiments of men. Throughout these trying times for two centuries the voice of the old First Church from pulpit and pew has resounded down the corridors of time with words of Christian courage and inspiration and deeds of daring and decision.

Born at a time when religious liberty was a pearl of great price, when freedom was throbbing in the breasts of the American colonists, this church was the offspring of the First Presbyterian Church, of Elizabeth, whose territory at that time included all of what is now Union county, and portions of Somerset, Hunterdon, Morris, Warren and Sussex counties.

A deep religious revival during the pastorate of the celebrated Rev. Jonathan Dickinson, D.D., accentuated by the difficulties of traveling so many miles during the exceedingly rigorous winter of 1740-41, caused the members of the First Church of Elizabeth, residing in this vicinity, to organize the church here with the aid and blessing of the mother church.

The first church edifice to be erected in Rahway was therefore built in 1741-42 on what is now St. George's avenue, just within the church cemetery inclosure, now known as Rahway cemetery. The present main driveway passes directly over the original church site.

It was a two-story frame structure built of heavy timber and sides inclosed with shingles, with two rows of windows, and a surmounting tower with spire, to which was adjusted a copper weather-cock, perforated by a bullet said to be a mark of the Revolutionary period. There were galleries on three sides, a small barrel-shaped pulpit with room for but one person, overshadowed by a scunding board. The floor was made of heavy hewn plank, not closely joined, the cracks widening with age, making it necessary for the women of the congregation in the winter season to bring foot-stoves to offset the cold that came through the crevices of the uncarpeted floor.

Data concerning the organization of this church is based on Presbyterian records and collateral history as the early records until 1795 have been lost. At the time of organization New Jersey was known as East New Jersey and West New Jersey, Rahway was in East New Jersey. In 1738, the East New Jersey and Long Island Presbyteries were united forming the Presbytery of New York, of which the First Church became a part.

The first five years of this church must be termed the period of supplies. John Cleverly, a graduate of Harvard, was the first supply. He was followed by John Grant, Nathan Strong, Hezekiah Watkins, all graduates of Yale.

### REV. AARON RICHARDS, FIRST PASTOR, 1748-1791

Rev. Aaron Richards was the first pastor. He and a twin brother, Moses, were born in Newark, in 1718, children of John and Jane Richards.

He was ordained by the Presbytery of New York, November 15, 1748, and on that day installed as pastor here. He was an ardent patriot during the Revolutionary War and was compelled to flee from the British invaders in 1776, to escape being captured and carried off, as were his contemporaries, Rev. Azel Roe, of Woodbridge, and Rev. Charles McKnight, of Shrewsbury. He preached at South Hanover until he could return with safety to his pulpit here.

The Presbyterian ministers of East New Jersey, and the churches to which they ministered, were hostile to the British cause. So generally was this the case that to be a Presbyterian minister, or a member of a Presbyterian congregation, was considered sufficient evidence of being an advocate of American independence, to warrant their being carried away as hostages, property confiscated or destroyed and oftentimes death their lot.

Rugged New Englanders, Scottish Presbyterians who fled from all manner of persecution, and others of Scotch-Irish and Welsh extraction, including Puritan, Covenanters and Quakers, formed the congregation of the early First Church, a stalwart backing for a patriotic pastor. For nearly forty-three years Rev. Aaron Richards preached the gospel here, the longest pastorate in the church's history. His body was buried in the church graveyard within a few feet of the spot where he preached the gospel well toward a half century.

Closely associated with the life of this church during the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Richards was Abraham Clark, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, statesman and patriot, a member of the old Congress from the day that it first asserted its existence as the representative of an independent nation until it relinquished its trust on the formation of the Federal Constitution. Because of the loss of early church records the personal and official relations of Abraham Clark with the First Church of Rahway cannot be clearly defined, but his burial in the church cemetery is considered by many to be ample proof of his important relations with the local church.

For five years the pulpit was then filled by Revs. Cooley, Cook and supplies furnished by the Presbytery.

### **Second Pastor Serves Three Years**

Rev. Robert Hett Chapman, of New England ancestry, who later became president of the University of North Carolina, was the second pastor and served three years, resigning October 2, 1799.

### **REV. BUCKLEY CARLL, THIRD PASTOR, 1802-1826**

The third pastor was Rev. Buckley Carll, who was installed December 28, 1802, and served for twenty-three years. He came to the church when it was in debt and there were but few active members although the field was large. Speaking of the field in the early period of his ministry Rev. Mr. Carll said: "The Presbyterian congregation had nominally attached to it near 300 families, about 1,500 souls. From various causes, about one-half of these were never seen in the house of public worship. But each and all expected and received my services in their sick rooms, at their dying beds, and in burying their dead."

During his pastorate he disposed of the debt and everything pertaining to the church property was put on a new footing. Revivals swelled the church membership. Session records for a number of years during his pastorate cannot be found. His pastorate ended in April, 1826.

#### **Fourth Pastor Serves Three Years**

The pulpit was then temporarily supplied by Rev. Elias W. Crane, Rev. A. G. Fraser, George Coan, a licentiate; Rev. William B. Barton, Rev. Lewis Bond, until the fourth pastor, Rev. Alfred Chester assumed the duties for less than three years, from July 18, 1826, to March 3, 1829. He continued to supply the pulpit for some time after the pastoral relations were dissolved. Rev. Abraham O. Halsey was then invited to supply the pulpit for three months.

#### **REV. THOMAS L. JANEWAY, D.D., LL.D., FIFTH PASTOR, 1829-1840**

Rev. Thomas L. Janeway became the fifth pastor November 3, 1829. He was a native of Philadelphia, the son of Rev. Jacob J. Janeway, D.D., and Martha Gray Leiper. His father was moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, which met in Philadelphia annually for a number of years, while Dr. Janeway was pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, of that city.

Raised in the home of a minister and associating with clergymen and educators during his early life gave Rev. Mr. Janeway an experience and background that admirably adapted him for his arduous duties here. Spiritual indifference and lethargy had developed because there had been no settled shepherd of the flock for a number of years and a partial suspension of the ordinances of the church had resulted. Newcomers without spiritual inclinations were openly antagonistic to the church and its influences. The young minister was often put to the test on the street, in store and shop by those who made intentional and profane attacks on the truth. In him they found a ready and stalwart defender of the Gospel, who successfully met all challenges with a clear-cut, intelligent and courageous presentation of the truth that eventually silenced the scoffers and won many to the Christian way of life.

In 1834 there were 157 persons who united with the church on profession of faith and twelve by certificate. During Dr. Janeway's pastorate of eleven years 262 were added to the church on profession of faith and 127 by certificate, making a total of 389. Revivals of religion blessed the church. The need of a new church edifice stirred the congregation. Some could not think of giving up the old location hallowed by nearly a century of service and surrounded by graves of kindred souls whose lives had been devoted to the work of the church.

A parish meeting decided to build on the spot occupied by the old church, but this was rescinded March 1, 1831. The trustees were authorized to purchase from Samuel Oliver and Job Squier the property known as the Richards lot for \$1,800. This site was known as the Richards lot because it had been the property of the first pastor. It extended from what is now West Grand avenue back to the Rahway river. The house standing thereon and belonging to Lawrence Baumgartner, Sr., was moved to southwest corner of Union and Oliver streets where it still stands. The trustees subsequently disposed of all the property owned by the church north of Union street.

Patterned after the Third Presbyterian Church, of Newark, and containing many improvements and advantages over that structure, the church in which we now worship was built at a contract price of \$15,100. The parsonage was built soon afterward at a cost of \$3,000. After the sale of the old church building and parsonage in St. George's avenue and the subscriptions of the people had been counted there remained \$10,000 to be raised to clear the church and parsonage of debt. Reports indicate that Job Squier and Samuel Oliver each advanced \$5,000, taking as their

security for future reimbursement, pews at a specified valuation. Thereby the entire church property was freed from debt.

The building in which we now worship was dedicated to the worship of Almighty God, February 5, 1832. Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D., of Princeton Theological Seminary, preached the dedicatory sermon in the morning; Dr. J. J. Janeway, father of the pastor, spoke in the afternoon, and Dr. John McDowell, of First Church, Elizabeth, at night.

The old church was purchased by Job Squier and moved from St. George avenue to the lot on which the original Franklin schoolhouse was later located in Union street. The old church was made into a tenement house and used until 1851, when it was sold and moved in sections to make room for the old Franklin school.

The church edifice in which we now worship was built under the supervision of John Y. Van Tuyl, Samuel Oliver, Job Squier, Dr. D. S. Craig, John Wood, Jr., and Henry Mundy, who constituted the board of trustees. The pastorate of Dr. Janeway, who received his degree from the College of New Jersey in 1850, was one of the most important in the history of the early First Church. When he severed his pastoral relations here November 17, 1840, to become pastor of the North Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia, he left a new edifice, a new parsonage, and a devout congregation that had a definite influence on the spiritual life and atmosphere of the community. Sunday evening services were first adopted during his pastorate.

#### **REV. CHARLES K. IMBRIE, D.D., SIXTH PASTOR, 1841-1852**

Profiting by previous experience in pitfalls that are in the path of a shepherdless flock the congregation allowed only one month to elapse before the sixth pastor, Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D., was called to the pulpit. He was a native of Philadelphia, of Scotch parentage, a graduate of the College of New Jersey and Princeton Theological Seminary. He was installed as pastor of this church January 5, 1841. In 1842 and 1843 the church was blessed with the addition of thirty-two in the former year and sixty-seven in the latter year on profession of faith.

Special gratitude for the divine blessing was recorded by the Session in these words: "It was a season of great joy and edification to the church, and the Session here record their grateful acknowledgment to the Lord Jesus Christ, the great head of the church, for the great blessing with which he has favored ourselves and the other churches of the Presbytery."

Missions and systematic beneficence received special attention from Pastor Imbrie and his efforts were rewarded by commendable liberality and devotion. A systematic plan for the removal of the church debt was adopted. Two years and a half afterward, report was made at the parish meeting held on April 6, 1850, that the church was out of debt and a surplus in the treasury.

An outstanding event in the pastorate of Dr. Imbrie was the organization of the Second Presbyterian Church on November 9, 1849. Because of the gradually expanding community and for the convenience of the numerous members of the First Church living in what was then known as Lower Rahway, fifty-five members of this church were dismissed at their own request, and composed the original organization of the Second Church. With deep brotherly regard, cooperation, fellowship and Christian spirit the separation was effected and the mother church has always felt great pride and joy in the achievements of her offspring. Aaron

Tucker, Frederick King, George F. Webb and Jonathan Thompson, former elders of the First Church, were the first elders of the Second Church.

After a pastorate of eleven years Dr. Imbrie was called to First Presbyterian Church, Jersey City, and the pastoral relations here were dissolved January 6, 1852. He subsequently became a member of the executive committee and recording secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, editor of "The New York Evangelist," trustee of State Normal School of New Jersey and of the College of New Jersey.

#### **REV. SAMUEL S. SHEDDAN, D.D., SEVENTH PASTOR, 1852-1874**

Rev. Samuel S. Sheddan was installed as the seventh pastor of the First Church on April 21, 1852. Former pastors, Rev. Thomas L. Janeway, D.D., and Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D., participated in the installation ceremonies. He graduated from Jefferson College and attended Princeton Theological Seminary. He came to this church after an eleven-year pastorate at Warrior Run, Pa. Because of the organization of the Second Church and the establishment of other evangelical churches in contiguous territory the field of the new pastor was considerably narrowed. The increase in churches had outstripped the slow increase in population.

While no extensive revivals occurred, Dr. Sheddan's pastorate was marked by a steady increase of ten to twenty-eight members per year on profession of faith, so that his ministry here recorded 151 uniting with the church on profession of faith and 184 by certificate. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Columbia College, New York, in 1864. He was called from this life October 18, 1874, after serving as pastor here for twenty-two years. Several years prior to his death his health was impaired. A few years previous to his death he had been moderator of the Synod of New Jersey. Evidence of the high esteem in which he was held by church and townspeople was given by the throngs which viewed the body as it lay in state in this church and who attended the last rites here.

Dr. Sheddan preached his last sermon May 17, 1874. From that date until March 1, 1875, the pulpit was supplied by twenty-two different preachers.

#### **REV. JOHN JAY POMEROY, D.D., EIGHTH PASTOR, 1875-1885**

At a congregational meeting held January 5, 1875, moderated by Rev. J. A. Liggett, Rev. J. Jay Pomeroy was unanimously called as the eighth pastor of this church. He began his ministerial duties here in March, 1875, and was installed April 29, of that year. He was graduated from Lafayette College and Princeton Theological Seminary, and served as chaplain in the U. S. Army from 1862 to 1865. After filling other pastorates he served this church for nine years.

As testimony of his earnestness and sincerity in preaching the gospel and pastoral service, 110 persons were added to the church membership in the first two years of his pastorate, ninety-one of this number being on profession of faith. That a large proportion of this number came from families not identified with the church membership is shown by the fact that the rite of baptism was administered to forty-three out of the ninety-one uniting on profession of faith. Twenty-six infants were baptized during the same period.

When the city officials had Grand, Church and Union streets graded the church had the expense of curbing and paving where the church and parsonage properties abutted on these streets. In addition to this changes were made to the church property including the erection of an iron fence in front of the church at a cost of \$579 and \$1,775 for the stone work, steps and platform in front of the church.

These changes inspired a desire for interior improvements to the church. In 1870-71 the lecture room was remodeled. Old partitions and seats were removed, the floor lowered eighteen inches, and a much lighter and more cheerful place established for Sunday school purposes and other religious and social gatherings.

In June, 1875, "The Centennial Association of the First Presbyterian Church" was organized to secure a fund of \$10,000 in 1876, the national centennial year, to reduce the church debt and make needed improvements to the church edifice. This movement resulted in an extensive transformation of the church auditorium and addition of the organ annex and choir loft. This followed the reroofing of the church. The old cylinder-shaped wood stoves were removed from the rear of the auditorium and a heating plant established in the basement. The organ was transferred from the gallery to the annex built for that purpose. The organ was then operated by water power with motor located in kitchen below.

Other changes included the removal of side galleries, placing of arm chairs in the end gallery, removal of doors from pews, and the addition of paneled ends and book racks to the pews. New cushions were placed in the pews. The upholstering of new chairs in pulpit and the carpet were made to harmonize with the frescoing on ceiling and walls.

The climax of the artistic improvements was reached in the thirteen stained glass windows that were installed. Scriptural symbols adorning the heads of the windows were considered particularly appropriate for the house of divine worship.

The central window in the front of the church was the gift of the Ladies' Association of the church as a memorial to the late Rev. S. S. Sheddan. Other windows donated were: By William C. Squier as a memorial to his brother, Job Squier, the window bearing a dove symbol; a memorial with open Bible symbol given by Session in the name of Charles P. Williams, a highly esteemed elder, lately deceased; window bearing vine and cluster of grape as a symbol, given by H. Newton Oliver and Harriet Oliver as a memorial to their father, Samuel Oliver, a practical and liberal friend of the church; the window with cross as symbol given by Mayor John J. High as a memorial to his deceased wife, Anna P. Sheddan High, the daughter of the preceding minister; window bearing crown, the gift of Linus High as a memorial to his father, John High, a devoted member of the church for many years.

Gifts of other windows were: Sheaf of wheat symbol, the gift of Christopher D. Marsh; anchor window, the gift of Joseph Beach and Clarence A. Oliver; baptismal font window, the gift of Mrs. George H. Martin and Mrs. Charles H. Clark; cup symbol window, the gift of Col. George W. Thorne and Nicholas Mooney; lily-of-valley window, the gift of A. F. Shotwell; the lamb symbol window, gift of William J. McKenzie; light shining in darkness window, the gift of John M. Weldon; contributions from John R. Ayres, Frank G. Perdleton and William J. Geery for circular and tower windows and transom windows over front doors.

The Centennial Committee raised the \$10,000 they set out to obtain

for improvements. These were made for \$8,000. There was a \$9,000 debt which had accumulated on the church. Additional subscriptions of \$7,500 were asked and 140 persons responded with pledges over a three-year period, aggregating \$8,000, or \$500 more than asked. After worshipping for six months in the lecture room while improvements to auditorium were under way the congregation held a great rededication service on November 3, 1876. A deep spiritual emotion and spirit of thanksgiving pervaded this and other services.

#### **REV. WILLIAM ALFRED GAY, NINTH PASTOR, 1884-1888**

Rev. William Alfred Gay was the ninth pastor of this church. He was installed September 10, 1884, and the pastoral relations were dissolved in August, 1888. After which he was pastor at Corry, Pa., for five years, in Terryville, Conn., nine years; Newark, 1902 to 1926. He died August 6, 1926, and was laid to rest in Rahway cemetery. According to older members here during his pastorate, Dr. Gay had a popular practice of closing his sermons with a beautiful poem, invariably of his own composition, many of which have been preserved by surviving relatives. His pastorate here was fruitful and effective.

#### **REV. GEORGE HUBBARD PAYSON, D.D., TENTH PASTOR, 1890-1904**

Following the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Dr. William A. Gay and the church by the Presbytery of Elizabeth on July 23, 1888, the Rev. Dr. McNulty of Woodbridge was made moderator of the session. After hearing pulpit supplies for three months, on Nov. 21 the session decided to appoint a committee to seek a pastor. The following were appointed: E. E. Potter, C. R. Oliver, and William V. McKenzie, of the Session; James G. Stacy from the Board of Deacons and C. A. Oliver of the Board of Trustees. Congregational meetings were held on July 10th and 26th, 1889, respectively to vote on the call of a pastor, but no decision was reached, and the names voted upon were dropped from the list of candidates.

Finally, on Nov. 8, 1889, a congregational meeting was held that resulted in the election of the Rev. George Hubbard Payson, D.D., as the pastor. The new pastor was to begin his work on Jan. 1, 1890. The records show, however, that he moderated a meeting of the session on Dec. 1, 1889. This meeting was held after divine services on Sunday morning, at which service the congregation had adopted resolutions on the death of their former pastor Dr. Pomeroy. These resolutions were made a part of the Session's record of that date. C. R. Oliver and J. C. Waters of the Session, M. C. Gay, and W. C. Terrill of the Board of Trustees were appointed a committee to attend the funeral at Chambersburg, Pa., and to "convey to his family our feelings of love, sympathy and sorrow. Dr. Payson was installed on Jan. 16, 1890.

The congregation received their new pastor with an enthusiasm that gave evidence that the Holy Spirit, too, was calling him to this field of service. George Hubbard Payson was born at New Hartford, New York, on Jan. 5, 1852. He was graduated from Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y., 1873, and from Union Theological Seminary, New York City, 1878. He was ordained and installed at Roslyn, L. I., by the Presbytery of Nassau, April 21, 1881. He was called to Newton, L. I., two years later and served there until his call to Rahway.

Dr. Payson's ministry at Rahway was characterized by his interest

in the children and young people. One of the first acts of his pastorate here was to have the Session adopt a card system to "create a greater attendance of the children at the church services." He saw the necessity of interesting and winning youth to Christ and the church, and gave much of his time, thought, and energy to them. He was with them in work and play. Through his fondness for skating, tennis and his understanding companionship with the young people, he drew many to the church, planned for them a wholesome good time, and prayed with them and for them.

It was during his pastorate that the Junior Choir was organized and gowned. Mrs. John Ross was first made leader in April, 1889, and almost continually for more than a half century the church has trained and encouraged her children in the ministry of music.

As Dr. Payson appreciated the place of music in divine worship, he always enjoyed a large and well-trained adult choir as well. It was during his pastorate that the church employed a choir director. Alfred E. Holmes was engaged May 1, 1899, and served until 1901.

Mr. William Machin was then engaged and remained as choir director for eighteen years. He was a popular leader both with the choir and the men of the church, serving not only as chorister, but as president of the Men's Brotherhood for some years.

One cannot read the Session minutes during the pastorate of Dr. Payson without noting the frequent reference to benevolence. He made repeated efforts to get a committee on benevolence to function in the interest of increased gifts to the boards of the church. He introduced the envelope system to supplement the all too inadequate income from pew rent and offerings received at services of worship.

To promote and encourage the wider use of the offering envelopes the Committee of Twenty-one was organized. It consisted of twenty-one members (a married couple was counted as one member) elected annually by the Church League. The Church League consisted of all who were contributing through the envelopes. In time it was considered a great honor to be selected as a member of the Committee of Twenty-one. The Committee had charge of the envelope system and ran the annual church fair and bazaar. In those days they often cleared as much as \$1,000 at the annual turkey dinner and fair. This money was turned over to the Trustees for the current expense budget of the church, so that there was no feeling that too much money was going to missions through the benevolent side of the envelope. There was less and less need for the Committee of Twenty-one after the pew rent system was dropped entirely and the church and benevolences were financed entirely by the envelope system and the offerings at Easter and Christmas, and, of course, the loose offerings at service of worship. This was not done until the pastorate of Dr. Chester M. Davis who introduced the thorough Every-member Canvass for annual pledges to the support of the church and her benevolences.

Dr. Payson was a good organizer, a superior preacher, and a beloved pastor. He possessed a strong personality, positive in character that sometimes caused decided disagreements within the Session. At one time several of the elders resigned and some moved their membership to the Second Presbyterian Church.

After fourteen years of effective labor for Christ and the Church, he surprised his congregation on Sunday morning Jan. 10, 1904, by reading

his resignation. Dr. Payson gave no reason except that of the feeling that a "change would prove more efficient in your material and spiritual upbuilding." The congregation as well as the Presbytery was very reluctant to bring to a close this successful pastorate. There was a very spirited debate on the floor of Presbytery on April 19th as to whether the Presbytery should concur with Dr. Payson and the church in the request to have the pastoral relationship dissolved.

Dr. Mott, of the Westminster Church, Elizabeth, and Dr. Stuchell, of the Second Church, Rahway, argued that only two percent of the congregations, "who were malcontents should not be allowed to rule a majority, and that a pastor whose people so loved him, who had done such a noble work should not be allowed to remove himself in such a manner." The request was granted by a vote of 27 to 8.

The resolution adopted by the church, and the character of the farewell reception tendered him and his faithful wife indicated the affection with which he was held by his people and genuine sorrow caused by his resignation.

Following his resignation Dr. and Mrs. Payson spent a year in travel in Europe. He later became pastor of the Fourth Reformed Church, of New Brunswick, N. J., and did some lecturing in connection with Rutgers University. When in 1932 at the age of 80 Dr. Payson was invited to the 100th anniversary of the present building of our church, he spoke with a clear voice and vigor as he delivered a great sermon.

During his pastorate he put the church on an excellent financial footing. The church increased in number from 248 to 369 members. During the fourteen years he received into the church 398 members.

Some brief extracts from the session minutes of Dr. Payson's pastorate will be of interest to many.

JAN. 10, 1892

"Elder Randolph died Jan. 8, 1892. Was a member of this church fifty years, forty years a Ruling Elder, and died at the ripe old age of 85. Session appointed committee as a whole to attend the funeral Jan. 12, 1892.

MAR. 7, 1895

"Committee on Communion Service reported in favor of a new walnut table and six new plates. Report accepted.

MAR. 9, 1895

"Meeting to be called Mar. 18 of Session and Trustees in regard to free pews, at the Sabbath evening service.

OCT. 9, 1895

"Ladies Association asked to be disbanded. Motion made that it be not disbanded.

SEPT. 16, 1896

"Motion that the request of Locust Grove Sabbath School be considered a branch of this church, accepted.

APR. 8, 1898

"Motion that extra plates be secured for collection. Motion that six elders be appointed to take collection instead of three on Sabbath.

JAN. 15, 1899

"Committee from the Session be appointed to work with Committee from the Sabbath School on the 20th Century Movement in increasing membership in Sabbath School.

NOV. 22, 1899

"Motion that money obtained by envelopes for systematic giving be divided 50% for missions and 50% for church expenses.

FEB. 14, 1900

"Motion that the Gallery be used as Infant Class be left with pastor and Superintendent of Sabbath School.

DEC. 23, 1900

"Motion that we unite with First M. E. Church in a Union Watch Night Service at the close of the century.

NOV. 19, 1901

"J. C. Waters resigned as Superintendent of Sabbath School. Motion to ask I. W. Story to be Superintendent of Sabbath School."

#### REV. CHARLES FRANKLIN SHAW, ELEVENTH PASTOR, 1904-1909

Upon the retirement of Dr. Payson, the Rev. Dr. G. F. Green of the Cranford church was made moderator of the Session. Fortunately only three months elapsed before the Session was ready to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of calling a pastor. This meeting was called on July 10, 1904, and the Rev. Charles Franklin Shaw was unanimously elected as pastor. Messrs. William V. McKenzie, W. H. C. Coles, F. G. Williams, and S. B. Morss were appointed a committee to prosecute the call before Presbytery which met at Westfield, October 4, 1904.

Charles Franklin Shaw was born in Philadelphia, Pa., January 24, 1869, son of William J. and Elizabeth Stewart Shaw. After his schooling he was with a Philadelphia business concern for eleven years, up to this time he had never expected to enter the ministry. His interest in the church and his devotion to Christ, however, commended him to the Carmichael Presbyterian Church of that city, and they besought him to become their pastor. Feeling it to be the call of God through this flock, he accepted and served for one year, resigning to better prepare himself for the work of the ministry.

While studying at Harvard University he spent one year as chaplain of the Cheltenham Military Academy. In 1897 he entered Harvard and graduated Magna Cum Lauda in 1901, having been elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society. He received his theological training at Union Theological Seminary, New York. He was a tireless worker. During the three years in seminary, he was preaching; first, in the Union Church at Pocantico, N. Y., then in the Hall of Fame of the New York University, and during his last year he was pastor of the Church of the Son of Man, connected with Union Settlement on the East Side, New York. And still in addition to all of this, he attended classes at the Columbia University and took his Master's Degree. After passing his examination for licensure before the Presbytery of Brooklyn, he accepted the call to come to Rahway.

Mr. Shaw was installed as pastor of this church on Friday, October 21, 1904, at 8 p. m. The following men at the invitation of Presbytery had part in the service: Dr. George Hubbard Payson gave the charge to the people; Dr. Wm. T. Stuchell, of the Second Church, Rahway, offered the installation prayer; Dr. Gaylord S. White, of Union Theological Seminary, offered the invocation; Dr. George Wm. Knox, of Elizabeth, preached the sermon. The charge to the pastor was given by the Rev. B. L. Agnew, D.D., L.L.D., and Dr. I. A. Blauvelt, of Roselle, the moderator of the Presbytery, presided and put the constitutional questions.

The church received this talented young man, whom they had called to be their pastor, with enthusiasm and great hope, which he never disappointed. It was during his pastorate here that he was married to Miss Elois Russell, of Cambridge, Mass., and graduate of Radcliff College, whose grace and training made her a valuable helpmate and companion in the service of the Kingdom.

It was Mr. Shaw that introduced the gown for choir and pulpit. The Session of January 22, 1906, after lengthy discussion, gave permission for the choir and minister to wear gowns. There were some in the church that felt the church was aping Rome, but time has shown the wisdom of the change and all feel that beauty and dignity has been added to the service of worship. While Mr. Machin remained through the years, there was a succession of organists. George C. Oliver, who had served for 25 years, resigned on April 8, 1904, about the same time Dr. Payson left. Miss Eva M. Giese was appointed for a brief interim, and Frank C. Woodruff was appointed. He served until May, 1909. He was succeeded by Mrs. Almeth White who served for ten years.

In 1906, the record shows that a special collection was taken for the Presbyterian Churches of San Francisco that suffered such severe losses in the earthquake. One is impressed as he reads the story of disasters. The Johnstown flood during Dr. Payson's pastorate, numbers of Chinese famines and floods, earthquakes in Japan, dust storms in our western section, floods in the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys—all were opportunities for the members of this old historic church to show their spirit of mercy in generous offering for those in need and those who suffered.

Among the outstanding memorial gifts that have come to the church, none is more appropriate or more appreciated than the sterling silver communion service present in memory of William Valentine McKenzie. Mr. McKenzie was one of the consecrated elders of this church, who served in that capacity with honor to himself and the church from November 9, 1873, until the time of his death, December 2, 1908.

For a period of thirty-five years he gave of himself and his money in unstinted measures to the church and her wider ministries. During that time he served for many years as the superintendent of the Church School, and was of the understanding and winsome nature that passed on to the children his own trusting faith in God. Older members of our church today tell me that they felt that next to God stood Mr. McKenzie.

One of our older members tells me that when she was among the beginners, they stood her up before the School to catechise her. In answer to the first question: "Who made you?", she replied with all confidence, "Mr. McKenzie." She still recalls how very perplexed she was over the laughter that followed what she felt was the correct answer.

It was most appropriate that his sacred memory be perpetuated. On May 30, 1919, his children, Joel B., Charles T., Ralph M., and Mrs. Aled

McKenzie, widow of William V. McKenzie, Jr., presented to the church, through the Session, the beautiful and costly individual silver Communion Service and pew racks. It was dedicated and used for the first time at the next Communion Service on July 11, 1909. The original gift consisted of six wine trays and six plates for bread. Since then the growing congregation has made it necessary to increase the service. Two wine trays to match have been added in memory of Mrs. Edward Pritchard, presented by Mr. Pritchard; and one in memory of Mr. George Squier, presented by Mrs. Squier. Mrs. Pritchard was for many years a faithful and successful Sunday school teacher and deaconess and Mr. Squier was an outstanding member of the Board of Trustees, who did many practical things of much value to the general welfare of the church and its property.

During the four and a half year pastorate of Mr. Shaw, 95 members were received into the church. On the morning of May 9, 1909, Rev. Mr. Shaw presented his resignation to the congregation in order that he might accept an urgent call to the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church of Albany, N. Y. Mr. Shaw remained in Albany for nine years. Here there were born to them four children: Charles Franklin, Jr., Henry Russell, Elois Russell, and Winshaw Drummond, only two of them, Charles and Winshaw are now living. On May 1, 1918, Mr. Shaw accepted a call to the First Presbyterian Church of Asbury Park and has served there most acceptably for twenty-four years. He is the only living former pastor of our church in Rahway. He has returned to us on numerous occasions to participate in anniversary celebrations. He has served as moderator of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Albany, and Monmouth. He writes now at the age of 72, "I am still in the going and still believe that the ministry is one of the most appealing opportunities before men today."

#### **REV. LOYAL YOUNG GRAHAM, JR., TWELFTH PASTOR, 1910-1922**

One year to the day after closing of the pastorate of Mr. Shaw, The Rev. Loyal Y. Graham, Jr., took up the torch to continue the march of time and the shedding of light and truth. During the interim of one year numerous supplies were heard and the church managed well under the leadership of her faithful officers.

Mr. Graham was installed as pastor on June 24, 1910, although he began his work here on the 1st of June of the same year. At the installation the Rev. John T. Kerr, D.D., pastor of the Third Church, of Elizabeth, preached the sermon, the Rev. W. T. Stuchell, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, of Rahway, gave the charge to the people, and the Rev. Loyal Y. Graham, D.D., father of the pastor-elect, and then pastor-emeritus of the Olivet Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia gave the charge to the pastor.

This was the beginning of long and happy pastorate. For twelve years he preached with fortitude and faithfulness the Gospel; he went in and out of the homes of the community as an understanding pastor in the work of the Lord. He is particularly remembered for his evangelistic preaching and his work as a pastor.

An interesting fact about Mr. Graham was that his mother consecrated him to the gospel ministry as an infant, on what proved to be her death bed.

Rev. Loyal Young Graham, Jr., was born in Philadelphia in 1874. He was the youngest son of Rev. Loyal Young Graham, D.D., who was pastor of the Olivet Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, Pa., for many

years. After graduating from Princeton Seminary, he traveled extensively in Europe. On his return to this country, he spent a post graduate year at Princeton.

His first charge was at Narberth, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia. During his ministry there, a beautiful church was erected and most of the indebtedness removed. While at Narberth, Mr. Graham received a call to the American Presbyterian Church at Frankford-on-Main, Germany. This he finally declined.

As pastor of the historic First Church, his second charge, he labored faithfully, and with success. In recognition of his services, there were several increases in his salary.

He was prominently identified with civic affairs in Rahway. For five years he was a member of the Board of Education and part of the time was vice-president. For some time he was a member of the board of directors of the Y.M.C.A., and for two years, president of the Federation of Churches.

In the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Mr. Graham took an active part and received special recognition from that body, being elected the moderator and going as a delegate to the General Assembly. He was also chairman of the evangelistic committee directing the work of the campaign being carried on within the forty or more churches in the Presbytery.

As a preacher Mr. Graham adhered closely to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and all his sermons were filled with a rare spiritual vitality that made them forceful and effective.

In community affairs, he was the consistent enemy of evil, and all that tended to deteriorate, and an unflinching champion of all that is pure and good. Therefore his influence was an important factor in the city life.

During Mr. Graham's pastorate, The First Church celebrated the 175th anniversary of its founding. On November 12, 1916, three impressive services were held. At the morning service, at eleven o'clock, felicitations were given by the Rev. L. Y. Graham, Sr., D.D., pastor emeritus of Olivet Covenant Church of Philadelphia, and father of the pastor. A historical sermon based on John 4:38 was given by Pastor Graham.

At the afternoon service at 3 o'clock, Walter B. Timms, elder of the First Presbyterian Church, of Elizabeth, mother church of the Rahway church, was the principal speaker. Others taking part were: Rev. Robert W. Marks, Woodbridge, moderator of Presbytery of Elizabeth; Rev. Ernest R. Brown, of Dunellen; Rev. I. W. Steans, of Westfield Presbyterian Church; Rev. George A. Liggett, of Springfield Presbyterian Church.

At the evening service greetings were given by living former pastors, Rev. George H. Payson, D.D., Rev. William Alfred Gay, Rev. Charles F. Shaw. Greetings from the local clergy were received on the following Monday evening, Nov. 13, at a reception, closing the anniversary celebration. The local church was founded 140 years after the landing of the Pilgrims, but it has kept alive all these years and is especially vigorous today, said Pastor Graham. Other speakers were: Moderator Marks, of the Presbytery; Rev. W. I. Steans, of Westfield; Rev. Francis G. Merrill, of First Baptist Church; Rev. H. A. L. Sadtler, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

At this time Mr. Graham had been pastor for over six years, during

which time many new organizations had been formed and the church broadened the scope of its work and became much greater and more powerful in the religious life of the city. Extensive improvements had been made to the property, and the church membership increased to five hundred, of which one hundred were added during Mr. Graham's pastorate.

It was during this time that the organ which is in memory of William C. Squier was given to the church by Mrs. Squier, and about this time that the clock in the steeple was repaired by George Squier and Herbert Bedman, after clock repair men said it could not be repaired.

During this time, while Mr. Graham was pastor in Rahway church, his daughter, Emily, was born, and was baptized in Rahway First Presbyterian Church by her grandfather, Dr. L. Y. Graham, with water brought from the Jordan River. It was during Mr. Graham's pastorate that the Cross and Crown System was inaugurated in our Sunday School. For the first few years quite a large number from the Sunday School received the award for perfect attendance of fifty-two Sundays in the year, but gradually some fell by the wayside until only two are now left: Miss Lena Saling having twenty-two years to her credit and Miss Maude Mundrane with twenty-one years, having lost one Sunday the first year.

It was on February 15, 1911 that the church selected a particular station abroad for her mission gifts. Ferezepore, India, of the Punjab Mission, was selected. The Rev. Robert H. Carter, a classmate and friend of Mr. Graham was chosen "our missionary abroad" and the gifts to the Foreign Board were so designated.

One of the outstanding financial interests of the church is its annual Roll Call Easter and Christmas offerings. They often exceed \$1,000 each. It is interesting to observe that the first of these Easter Offerings was taken April 7, 1912, after a letter was sent out by the pastor. The offering that year amounted to \$383. Through the years it has become a tradition and the goal in recent years has been \$1,000 and on several occasions has been exceeded.

Two memorable occasions during Mr. Graham's pastorate are the gift of the memorial organ and the redecoration of the church auditorium in 1912, and the celebration of the 175th anniversary in 1916.

The new Austin organ was a gift of Mrs. Catherine C. Squier, in memory of her late husband, William C. Squier, who had served at one time as an honored trustee of the church.

At the time the organ was built there were extensive repairs made to the church. The auditorium was redecorated, and the pew cushions reupholstered and new carpet laid.

The freshly renovated sanctuary was opened and the new organ dedicated on Christmas evening, December 25, 1912, at 7:45 p.m. with an appropriate dedicatory service led by the pastor, who spoke on the subject: "Different Kinds of Giving."

During the World War a new flag was purchased and flown from the flagpole in front of the church daily. A service flag with a star for each young man in service in the Army and Navy was hung in the church, and is now in the archives of the church. A roll of honor bearing the names of the men who were in military service was posted.

At times during the war period and particularly in 1918 due to short-

age of coal it was necessary to hold church services in the Sunday school room in the basement of the church to conserve fuel. During the influenza epidemic of the war period, this church, like others in the city, was obliged to close for a time by order of the Board of Health to prevent the spread of the influenza epidemic.

When the Morgan explosion took place the church was opened to house refugees who were driven by the explosion from their homes. At this time and during the influenza period the church was used to a large extent to provide beds and shelter for the unfortunate.

In connection with the 175th anniversary celebration \$5,000 was raised and all indebtedness wiped out and since that time the church has been maintained in a strong financial and spiritual condition.

On January 3, 1922, announcement of his acceptance of the call to become pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, Newark, was made by Rev. L. Y. Graham, at the morning service. At the same time notice was given for a meeting of the congregation to be held Wednesday evening, January 11, to take the necessary steps toward dissolving the pastoral relations. Mr. Graham's resignation as pastor of Rahway First Church, took effect March 1.

In making the announcement, Pastor Graham said, that the decision had only been reached after prayerful and careful consideration. "It seems as if the Lord has been leading and guiding me; the Lord's hand is in the matter and I have asked his guidance throughout." Referring to the twelve years he was pastor, Mr. Graham said:

"Whatever of particular good has been accomplished, will remain and be permanent and our failures will be forgotten. I trust and pray that God will send you an under shepherd who will be all that you want."

Although not wholly unexpected, the resignation of Mr. Graham was a distinct shock to the congregation and tears and deep regret marked the faces of a large congregation. It was felt that his departure would be a distinct loss to the city.

Few ministers who have come to Rahway have been more popular than has Rev. Mr. Graham as head of the historic First Presbyterian Church.

At the farewell party, February 24, 1922, expressions of deep regret together with best wishes and the Godspeed of a host of friends marked the affair. As a token of affection for the pastor and his wife, he was presented a valuable gold watch and chain while she received a handsome bar pin. They were presented on behalf of the members of the congregation and friends by Freeland Gibson, who gave expression in an effective manner to the good will and best wishes of their friends.

Resolutions offered by Elder Irving W. Story were unanimously adopted.

Elder Henry M. Woodruff served as master of ceremonies, and gave expression to regrets of the congregation and read letters of regret from Rev. H. A. L. Sadtler, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church; Rev. Robert W. Elliott, of Church of Holy Comforter; Rev. J. W. P. Collier, of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church. Those who spoke were: Rev. George A. Law, of First Methodist; Manford R. Woodland, representing Trinity Methodist, whose late pastor Rev. J. W. Ryder, was a close friend of Pastor Graham; Rev. Wallace H. Carver, of Second Presbyterian; Rev. A. J. Leonhardi, of Zion Lutheran Church.

After the presentation of the watch, Rev. Mr. Graham spoke of the tender ties that had bound him and Mrs. Graham to the people of the church. "Love one another" was his admonition for maintaining a "drawing and keeping church." He stated that 304 members had been received during his ministry here and that with the exception of the year of the Weigle evangelistic campaign his closing year, when forty-four were added, had been the year of greatest number of accessions.

His final Sunday morning service here was marked by the baptism of Camille Eugene Baumann, infant son of Wilbur N. and Evelyn Harri-man Bauman. It was a busy last day for Pastor Graham on his last Sunday here. He preached morning and evening, addressed the Sunday school, conducted the Christian Endeavor meeting and spoke before the Rahway Federation of Churches.

Mr. Graham officiated at his last communion service in Rahway First Church a few days before his departure. Those received at that time were: Mrs. Mary Vizthum, Miss Elizabeth Gilmour, Mrs. J. J. Ayers, Katherine Ainsley Buchan, George A. Cook, George H. Buchan, Hugh G. Buchan, Jessie G. Buchan, Gertrude D. Armstrong, May E. Bartels, Clarence S. George, Helen I. Schultz, Marion E. George, Lois B. Squier, Muriel Elizabeth Squier, Kenneth Terry, Cyrus Vizthum and Florence S. Whitehead.

On December 20, 1936, Rev. Mr. Graham died in his sleep of a heart attack, in his home, 377 Clinton Ave., Newark, at the age of 62 years. Mr. Graham served as moderator of the Presbytery of Elizabeth and that of Newark. He was moderator of the Presbytery of Newark in 1930. He had also been a commissioner to the General Assembly and served as chairman of the Newark Presbytery's evangelical and other committees. He was also a member of the advisory committee of the Goodwill Home and Rescue Mission and was chaplain of the Hundred Year Club.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Florence Ketcham Graham and two children, Mrs. Emily G. Munro, and Loyal K. Graham.

The body of Mr. Graham was taken from his home to the church on the afternoon of December 21, 1936, where from 6 p. m. to 11 a. m., the following day the body lay in state in the church. Rev. Dr. Scott Inglis, pastor emeritus of the Third Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Arthur Norwood, pastor of Elizabeth Avenue, Presbyterian Church, officiated at the services.

Afterward the body was taken to the West Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, Pa., for burial. Rev. Archer Anderson, of Narberth Presbyterian Church officiated at the services there.

## **REV. CHESTER M. DAVIS, D.D., THIRTEENTH PASTOR**

### **Ministry Here Began September, 1922**

The twentieth year of the pastorate of Rev. Chester M. Davis, D.D., was begun in September, 1941, he being the thirteenth to be installed to preside over the destiny of the old First Church. Born November 3, 1891, at Sturgis, Ky., the son of Charles Metcalf and Josephine C. Eberle Davis, he received his early education in the Sturgis schools, being valedictorian of his class when he graduated from high school in 1910.

Continuing his education at Lincoln College of the James Millikin University, Decatur, Ill., he earned his A.B. degree in 1914 and his A.M. degree in 1917. He was graduated from McCormick Theological Seminary,

now the Presbyterian Theological Seminary of Chicago, in 1917, and pursued post graduate work, receiving his B.D. degree in 1919. Rev. Mr. Davis received his Doctor of Divinity degree from the College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Ark., in June, 1936.

When in college he was honor student of his class, won the oratorical contest between the literary societies, being the first freshman to gain this honor. The thesis presented for his college degree was said by the President of the college at that time to be the best written during his administration. In 1917-1918 Mr. Davis served as principal of the Warren High School, Warren, Ill. He was ordained May 3, 1917, and became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of that place. From 1919 to 1922 Rev. Mr. Davis served as pastor of the Immanuel Presbyterian Church, of Chicago.

Beginning his pastorate in this church in September, 1922, Dr. Davis was formally received by the Presbytery of Elizabeth at its meeting October 3, 1922, at Connecticut Farms Church, Union, at which time this church was represented by Elders Irving W. Story and Henry M. Woodruff.

Installation services were held at this church the following Friday night, October 6. Rev. George E. Bevans, of Elizabeth, moderator of the Presbytery, was ill and unable to participate. Rev. Wallace H. Carver, of the Second Presbyterian Church, this city, now of Arlington, N. J., served as moderator and also preached the installation sermon, "The Church and the World Today." He also gave the invocation. The scripture was read by Rev. George A. Law, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Rahway.

The charge to the new pastor was given by Rev. LeRoy W. Warren, of the First Presbyterian Church, Plainfield, a lifelong friend of Pastor Davis; charge to the people by Rev. L. Y. Graham, Jr., of Central Presbyterian Church, Newark, who had preceded Rev. Mr. Davis as pastor here. The installation prayer was by Moderator Carver. The music was in charge of Bert J. Marson. Solo parts in the anthem, "Jerusalem, the Golden," were sung by Miss Blanche Lambert and George W. Mingus. The congregation sang the hymns, "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord" and "O Master Let Me Walk with Thee." A period of welcome to the new pastor followed the service.

The congregational reception to Rev. and Mrs. Davis was sponsored by the Committee of Twenty-one, of which John J. Hoffman was then president. Elder Henry M. Woodruff gave the address of welcome. Other ministers taking part were: Rev. Wallace H. Carver, of Second Church, speaking as representative of "The Daughter of the Old First"; Rev. George A. Law, of First Methodist; Rev. Francis G. Merrill, of First Baptist; Rev. S. W. Townsend, of Trinity Methodist; Rev. H. A. L. Sadtler, of St. Paul's Episcopal; Rev. Robert W. Elliott, of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Episcopal; Rev. L. W. Warren, of Plainfield.

Two months after assuming the pastorate here Rev. Mr. Davis was called upon to preach the Thanksgiving sermon at the union service of the Rahway Federation of Churches assembling that year at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. "The Test of Real Gratitude," was his theme.

His educational and religious background, deep devotion to the work of his Lord and Master, his broad vision of an effective church organization and its service to the community began to show their influence early in the pastorate of Dr. Davis.

The Junior Choir was reorganized in November, 1922, with Mrs. Seymour Williams, director, and Miss Gladys Whitehead, accompanist. The Men's Brotherhood was established in December, 1922, with officers as follows: President, Alfred C. Brooks; vice-president, James M. Pettit; secretary, George W. Mingus; treasurer, Lester E. Hall; committee on constitution and by-laws, Freeland J. Gibbons, A. Fred Hope, Albert H. Jeambey. The broadening activities led to demands for more adequate facilities and the community house project was conceived as told elsewhere in this volume.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was established in 1923, this being the first church in Rahway to have its own school. The Week Day Church School was started in 1929, meeting another need in religious education. Both of these have been continued from year to year with mounting success and increasing service to the city.

In order to more effectively centralize the varied efforts of the different women's organizations of the church the Women's Parish Work Association was organized in April, 1928, with Mrs. Seymour Williams as the first president. A high school choir was organized in 1936. The needs of the boys and girls for organizations in which they could find interest, useful training and practical service were met by the organization of Boy Scouts, Sea Scouts, the latter through the efforts of E. Urner Goodman, a Naional officer and member of our church; Cub Pack, with Edgar Rumble, cubmaster; Robin Troop, Girl Scouts, with Mrs. Charles W. Hubbard, captain, who also served as Brown Owl in charge of Robin Pack No. 2, Brownies.

Dr. Davis began the practice of junior sermons preceding the regular Sunday morning sermon, children of the church school completing their session by hearing the junior sermon. Through the cooperation of Dr. Davis and E. Urner Goodman, the latter as elder and superintendent of the church school, the school was completely reorganized and a new comprehensive curriculum and plan of operation established in which a Student Council and student officers served. Throughout his pastorate here Dr. Davis has persistently stressed the vital importance of religious education and has continually promoted plans for spreading a knowledge of God's word among the young people.

His preaching has been true to the Biblical standard, which says: "For the word of God is living, and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword." From the pulpit Dr. Davis has spoken straight from the shoulder, hitting open and secret sin, whether in mansion or mart, legislative hall or counting room, whether it affected those of high or low station in life. His fearlessness and directness in preaching the full gospel truth has made his sermons a powerful influence for righteous living, not only among the members of his congregation, but in the city at large.

Not only have his pulpit utterances denounced sin in every form, but they have been informative and educational, dealing with many of the practical every-day problems and questions that confront the average citizen. That his sermons are up to the minute in modern thought was well demonstrated to the members of the congregation who heard leading theologians address the Rahway Federation of Churches last spring on subjects which our pastor had already expounded to his congregations with great similarity of thought.

In his community life Dr. Davis has been an active and influential

figure. As leader of the Fellowship Club of the Y. M. C. A. he has been instrumental in maintaining the interest and promoting the growth of an organization that represents men in all walks of life. For many years he has served as secretary of the Rahway Kiwanis Club with an efficiency that has made him the unanimous choice for that office year after year. As acting president of the Citizens' Building and Loan Association Dr. Davis has manifested a practical and lively interest in the material welfare of the city.

His vision has not only encompassed the city and its needs, but has reached out to the whole human family. He has persistently stressed the cause of missions and aid to those organizations and agencies engaged in advancing the spiritual and moral welfare in State and Nation. The Rahway Federation of Churches has recognized his leadership qualities by electing him president for different yearly periods. The Presbytery of Elizabeth has honored him with the moderatorship. The Synod of New Jersey, of which he was vice-moderator in 1934, made him chairman of the important committee of Program and Field Activities, which later became the United Promotion Committee, on which he served ten years until he resigned. He was made treasurer of the Synod in 1940 in which position he continues to serve. In the Presbytery of Elizabeth he has served on various important committees. He is also a member of the National Social Science Honor Society, and on the board of directors of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Visible testimonies of his character and conduct and his loving spirit throughout his ministry here are contained in the number who have united with the church. Since he began his pastorate 1,155 have joined the church up to July 1, 1941. The number by years is as follows: 1922, five; 1923, fifty-eight; 1924, fifty-one; 1925, forty-four; 1926, twenty-eight; 1927, sixty-eight; 1928, seventy-eight; 1929, forty-seven; 1930, fifty; 1931, thirty-three; 1932, sixty-two; 1933, forty-four; 1934, fifty-two; 1935, sixty-two; 1936, seventy-two; 1937, sixty-two; 1938, eighty-one; 1939, ninety-three; 1940, ninety-three; 1941, seventy-two. During his pastorate here he has also administered the rite of baptism to 422 children and has performed 245 marriages.

In the olden days boundaries of the parish were portrayed as extending for several miles into surrounding territory. Records of succeeding pastorates show that the limits were steadily narrowed by organization of other churches. Through the loving and self-sacrificing ministrations of Dr. Davis the bounds of the parish work and membership reach into Colonia, Clark and Linden, reminiscent of the widespread ministry of the early church.

Absorption of the steadily growing membership into parish organizations and activities that are congenial and give opportunity for self-expression of their diversity of talents has been a feature of the ministry of Dr. Davis. Not only are those on the church roll actively interested in the church and its welfare, but many who have no church affiliations find comfort and cheer in the friendly atmosphere of the old First Church, whose pastor has been called upon to minister in many homes where there was sickness, sorrow and distress among the unchurched populace.

Ability to get the fullest cooperation has been characteristic of the ministry of Dr. Davis. The erection of a community house, the redecoration of the church auditorium, the building of a new manse, procuring of new church hymnals, introduction of the every member canvass, more

than doubling the income of the church and the missionary support and other benevolences; installation of a new indirect lighting system with rheostat control, the first church in this section to use this type of lighting, are some of the achievements.

The Public Service Corporation took photographs of the lighting and its effect upon the auditorium and many visitors came to see the system in operation.

The 100th anniversary of the occupation of the present church structure was observed in 1932, when the improvements to the auditorium and lighting system marked the milestone. The anniversary celebration started January 31, 1932, with a sermon, "Our Father's God," by Dr. Davis, accompanied by the dedication of a pulpit Bible given by Mrs. Anna Kelley in memory of her husband, William H. Kelley. February 3, fellowship supper with Rev. William G. Felmeth, of Third Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth, speaking on "Gateways to the Unseen." February 5, social in charge of Women's Parish Work Association, with greetings by President Mrs. Wilbur N. Baumann and a letter from Rev. George H. Payson, pastor from 1890 to 1904; greetings, Rev. Charles F. Shaw, pastor 1904 to 1909, and Rev. L. Y. Graham, pastor 1910 to 1922. Dr. Davis also spoke. There were vocal solos by Miss Virginia Mooney, granddaughter of Elder Henry M. Woodruff.

Home-coming Day was observed February 7, with sermon by Dr. Payson, and an extensive historical exhibition under direction of Miss Emily Shotwell and Miss Flora Graves.

In September, 1932, Dr. Davis celebrated his tenth anniversary as pastor of this church. Brief addresses were made by Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, D.D., superintendent of National Missions for the Synod of New Jersey; Rev. A. L. Peterson, of First Methodist; Rev. James W. Laurie, of Second Presbyterian; Rev. H. A. L. Sadtler, of St. Paul's Episcopal; Rev. Herbert Rhinesmith, of Trinity Methodist; Rev. Robert McBride, of Avenel Presbyterian Church. At this reception the congregation surprised Dr. and Mrs. Davis by presenting them a large electric refrigerator filled to capacity with eatables. Elder A. Fred Hope made the presentation speech. Dr. Davis responded with much feeling.

The practice of issuing certificates of membership to those uniting with the church was instituted by Dr. Davis. A midnight Christmas carol service and New Year's eve song and worship period have been seasonal services of inspiration and spiritual power under the leadership of Pastor Davis. The work of the pastor's office grew so voluminously that a church secretary was added in February, 1929, in the person of Mrs. Edward A. Schremp. A student assistant pastor, Donald W. Ruth, has been of much aid to Dr. Davis during the past year and he also served as principal of the Daily Vacation Bible School. Special Sunday evening features, with music under direction of Melvin W. Reed as an important part, have given spiritual uplift and edification to many souls.

The rotation plan of electing elders was adopted during the pastorate of Dr. Davis and has been in operation many years. Under this plan an elder is elected for three years and a year must elapse after the expiration of his term before he can be reelected. By this method new blood can be introduced into the ruling body of the church and opportunity given for distribution of service over a greater number of persons.

In 1925 the annual report indicates the election of deaconesses, giving women a definite place on one of the important boards of the church.

The first deaconesses listed were: Mrs. Samuel Tooker, Mrs. Edward J. Pritchard, Miss Emma Johnson, Mrs. Edwin S. Payne.

Dr. Davis is a general favorite with the children and young people, participating in their games and sports, and enjoying their personal confidences. His athletic proclivities have been shown in basketball, volleyball, bowling and baseball. His prowess as a bowler has led to his rolling with the Kiwanis Club in the Y. M. C. A. City League. By popular demand of the graduating class of the Rahway High School Dr. Davis has on several occasions given the annual baccalaureate sermon.

Easter and Christmas greetings in original poems written by Dr. Davis have cheered the homes of the members of the congregation. Other religious poems and writings have been contributed by him. Chief among these were a drama, "Putting the Sun into Sunday," contributed to the publication, "Church Management," and an article, "Training Youth to Worship," appearing in "Church Business."

Dr. Davis has a rival in literary ability in his own home. His wife, Elisabeth Logan Davis, has lately gained wide interest and recognition with articles appearing in "Christian Herald," entitled "Preparing for a Happy Old Age" and "A Modern Residence for Your Minister." Mrs. Davis is also a valuable helpmate to the pastor, being leader of the Mothers' Bible Class and taking active part in various branches of the church work. As chairman of the Inter-Racial Committee, composed of representative citizens, she has done much for the welfare of the colored residents and other nationalities. As an artist Mrs. Davis has gained considerable prominence with her landscape and portrait paintings.

Dr. and Mrs. Davis have two children, Anne Logan, now a student at Wellesley College, and Josephine Caroline, both of whom have already taken places in the religious and social life of the church.

Like the disciples of old of whose work the scriptures testify, "And the Lord added to them day by day those that were saved," the leading of the Holy Spirit in the life and work of Dr. Davis has carried the old First Church to its greatest heights of spiritual, numerical and material achievement in its 200 years of Christian ministry. Like one big, happy Christian family the more than 1,000 members of the church look forward to the third century of service with a humble confidence and trust that God's presence and leadership may carry them to new heights of loving sacrifice and heroic courage in building His kingdom here in Rahway.

## THE NEW ORGAN

In the minutes of the Session (Rev. L. Y. Graham, Jr., moderator), dated June 19, 1912, the following entry is made:

"Resolved that the church auditorium be at the disposal of the new organ builders, Austin Organ Co. of Hartford, Conn., on and from July 1st, 1912, and further that the church services be held in the lecture room until the organ and decorating work are completed."

Sunday, December 22nd, 1912, marked the Christmas celebration and opening of church auditorium. The church calendar for that day stated:

"Today marks the opening of our church auditorium after the installation of the new organ, presented by Mrs. Catherine C. Squier in memory of her husband, William C. Squier, at one time an honored trustee of the First Presbyterian Church. Extensive repairs have also been made in the re-carpeting, re-painting, re-decorating and re-upholstering of the cushions

in the pews of the church. It seems becoming for us with renewed earnestness to 'Enter into His gates with Thanksgiving, and into His Courts with praise.' Along with the material blessings, let us pray that the Lord will grant mighty spiritual blessings and add to this church continually, 'Of such as shall be saved.'"

The organ, costing \$6,000, a three manual pipe organ, was considered a very fine instrument and the "latest word" in organs when it was installed. The generous gift of Mrs. Squier has sounded forth sweet praises to the Lord these many years and has been sincerely appreciated by the church's congregations.

## CHURCH MUSIC

This part of worship, which belongs to the congregation and contributes so much to the profit and enjoyment of religious service, is not made conspicuous in the early church records. After getting into the new church, in 1833, the Trustees were authorized to secure the services of a chorister. The following persons have served in this capacity. There were doubtless others whose names do not appear on the church records:

Stephen C. Tooker .....	1837
Mr. Kingman .....	1838-1841
Linus Mooney .....	1841-1845
Thomas H. Shaffer .....	1846-1849
Lewis Moore .....	1850
Joseph Beach .....	1868-1871
Charles H. Clerk .....	1871-1874
O. E. Boyd .....	1875

The following persons served as organists:

W. B. Oliver .....	1861
H. A. Oliver .....	1861
John Tufts .....	1872
Frank G. Pendleton .....	1872-1877

Organization of choir in 1877:

Oscar E. Boyd, chorister      Frank G. Pendleton, organist

Choir members:

Miss Katie Chapin	Miss Ada V. Boyd
Miss Lottie A. Martin	John M. Weldon
Miss Nettie Halliday	Luke Parsons

In November, 1836, it was resolved to secure a new organ for the church. The instrument soon thereafter was put in by E. L. Holbrook of East Medway, Mass. The organ then in the church was put in by the same firm in 1871 at the cost of \$2,800.

In 1891 the choir consisted of the following:

Organist .....	George C. Oliver
Soprano .....	Miss Nellie F. Martin
Alto .....	Miss Adriana M. Stacy
Tenor .....	Joseph Avery
Bass .....	John H. Williams

The organists from 1879 until the present were as follows:

George C. Oliver .....	1879-1904
Frank Woodruff .....	1904-1909
Mrs. Almeth White .....	1909-1920

Bert J. Marson .....	1920-1924
Theodore Cavanaugh .....	1924-1927
James Robinson .....	1927-1928
Ruth Babel .....	1928-1929
Lillian Stephens .....	1929-1930
Mrs. J. L. Hunter .....	1930-

The following names appear as choir directors since 1899:

Alfred E. Holmes .....	1899-1901
William J. Machin .....	1901-1920
Bert J. Marson .....	1920-1924
John J. Hoffman .....	1929-1931
Melvin W. Reed .....	1931-

The present organ was installed by the Austin Organ Co. in July, 1912.

During the time Mr. Machin was director of the choir the Committee of Twenty-one paid each member \$5 per year if they were regular in attendance and I believe a deduction was made for Sundays missed.

During the time Bert J. Marson was organist and choir director the members of church will probably recall the operetta the choir presented in the old lecture room, entitled "Princess Chrysanthemum" in which the leading parts were taken by Lucy Ludlow, Oril Grube, Freeland Gibbons, George Mingus and Everett MacWhinney, and others.

The children's choir started during pastorate of Dr. Payson in about 1900 and has been continuous since that time. Some of those who recently directed the children's choir, or the junior choir as it is now called, are: Mrs. Milton Gaskill, Mrs. Helen Meinzer, and Mrs. Seymour Williams, the present director.

The high school choir was started in 1936 by Melvin W. Reed, and has added much to the musical program of the church.

Music has become more and more an important feature of every church service. While the senior choir has always presented a program of quality and high standard of rendition, the present choir under the direction of Melvin W. Reed, with Mrs. J. Lawrence Hunter, organist, has risen to new heights of achievement and have become an outstanding feature of the worship program. A volunteer choir that fills the choir loft to overflowing has been developed and the musical features of special anthems and solos each Sunday have gained a community-wide reputation for ability of the organization and its director.

Active members of the present choir are: Director Melvin W. Reed, Organist Mrs. J. Lawrence Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Aszman, Mrs. Helen Bartlett, Philip Corey, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Ellison, Jr., Miss Letitia Erickson, Mrs. Andrew Erickson, Mrs. Rogers Gimbernath, Mrs. William Hedeman, Miss Dorothy Hope, James Hunter, Miss Blanche Lambert, Mrs. Clifford Laurent, Miss Esther Martin, Miss Helen Martin, Mrs. Emlyn Edwards, Bernard Oswald, Mrs. George Phelps, Miss Marjorie Tulloch, Mrs. James Hunter, Mrs. C. E. Benson, Miss Betty Muddell, Robert Miner, Bernard Zaehring, Charles Perry, Louis Meissner, Mrs. Welda Borden, Mrs. John Gerner, Miss Catherine Mancuso, Mrs. Anthony Ciurczak, Miss Beulah Milnes, W. C. McArgyl, Mrs. Ralph Abbey.

On all special occasions efforts have been made by the choir and its director to present something worthwhile with the result that one

triumph after another has followed. One of the outstanding presentations which many of the congregation frequently recall was the dramatization of the cantata, "Bethlehem," by Maunder, given on December 24, 1933.

The first gowned choir in 1906, for whom gowns were made by Miss Cora Ganswyck, was directed by William J. Machin, with Mrs. Almeth White, organist, and included May Ayers, Elsie Garthwaite, Emma Urms-ton, Madeline Hall, Mildred Grube, Mrs. Milton Gaskill, Evelyn Harriman, Marguerite Jardine, Eva Brooks, Edward Chapin, John Chapin, George Mingus, Nelson Reeves, Herman Graves, Everett MacWhinney, Ellsworth Morse, Lester Hall, Reginald Hall, John Hoffman, Howard Charles.

## **THE CLOCK AND THE BELL**

"Through days of sorrow and of mirth, through days of death and days of birth, through every swift vicissitude of changeable time, unchanged it has stood." How truly these words of Longfellow ring when applied to the clock in the church tower. About March 1, 1832, the clock was placed in the steeple through popular subscription. It was designed and installed by E. L. Holbrook, of East Medway, Mass. The clock remained in the ownership of the Township Committee for about eight years when it was formally presented to the trustees of the church, and it has continued in operation since that time.

The late Oscar B. Garthwaite said it was the most remarkable clock in the state. Like the proverbial grandfather's clock it stopped one day. Representatives of two large clock concerns examined the mechanism. They said it could not be repaired. They had not counted on the ingenuity of the late George Squier and Herbert Bedman through whose skill the ancient timepiece was again put in operation. Like all their ways of helpfulness to the church their services were donated.

To its simplicity of construction the clock owes its long record of service. In the mechanism there are seven wheels, four for time and three for starting. The pendulum is six feet long, on the bottom of which is a 20-pound weight. On the weight is inscribed a blazing star bearing the date 1832. The clock is driven by two weights of 500 pounds each, consisting of heavy oak boxes filled with lead. These weights are inclosed in two long passageways leading from steeple to the floor level. They are supported by wire cables wound around two drums, which propel the mechanism for one week at a winding. Each of the four clock faces is nine feet in diameter. The minute hand is four feet and three inches long and the hour hand three feet and six inches.

A necessary adjunct to the friendly service of the clock is the accompanying bell. One hot summer's day in 1871 a large assemblage of towns-people, says Mrs. Theodore Ludlow, one of our venerable members, witnessed the removal of the old bell from the belfry and the installation of the larger one which now calls to worship and marks the hours of the day. This bell was rung for the first time on July 4, 1871. The clock and the bell are a beacon of friendly service, characteristics of the outstretched hand of helpfulness which the historic First Church has extended to the people at all times.

## **THE COMMUNITY HOUSE**

(Memorial to Catherine Craig Squier)

The urgent need for enlarged quarters for the growing Sunday school and the many other flourishing organizations of the church led the Men's

Brotherhood in March, 1923, to appoint a committee to study the situation and submit to the congregation at its next annual meeting definite plans for a building which would adequately meet these requirements. This committee was composed of Chairman Freeland J. Gibbons, David Armstrong, William McCollum, William H. Weldon, George W. Mingus, John J. Hoffman, Alfred C. Brooks, William F. Davis, James M. Pettit, Arthur R. Wendell, Herbert F. Mooney, Henry H. Jardine, Henry M. Woodruff, Seymour Williams, Charles A. Schults, Sr. The latter was elected secretary and Architect Seymour Williams was authorized to draw preliminary plans and sketches for submission to the congregation for approval.

These plans and sketches were submitted to the congregation at the annual parish meeting held in April, 1923. This meeting directed Chairman David Armstrong to appoint a committee with power to have plans drawn and financial plans outlined for submission to the congregation for ratification at a subsequent meeting. Mr. Armstrong named the same men who had served on the Brotherhood committee. Mr. Gibbons resigned as chairman of the committee and William McCollum was chosen to fill the vacancy.

Three organizations not already represented on the committee, the Westminster Society, the Cheerful Workers and the Ladies' Missionary Circle appointed Miss Helen Wright, Miss Emma Johnson and Mrs. Townsend Shotwell as their representatives. David Armstrong was appointed treasurer of the committee and the chairman was authorized to appoint a building committee of five members, who would confer with the architect on all details of the proposed building. This building committee included Chairman Henry H. Jardine, Arthur R. Wendell, James M. Pettit, Freeland J. Gibbons, Charles A. Schults, Sr.

At a meeting of the Community House Committee held March 1, 1924, a financial committee was chosen consisting of William McCollum, David Armstrong and Henry H. Jardine. To assist this committee in the campaign for funds additional workers were named on May 2, 1924, as follows: Mrs. Chester F. Haynes, Mrs. Anna Wraight, Mrs. George C. Oliver, the Misses Helen Squier, Ada Smith, Irene Harriman, Abbie Hillman, Elizabeth Seitz, Jennie Garthwaite, Messrs. Stephen C. Bull, Lester Hall, J. Walton, William H. Merritt, Thomas Laurent, E. J. Pritchard, Harold S. Gibbons, Walter Ritchie, John R. Newkirk, Joseph D. Person, Fred C. Shotwell, Charles Almquist, Paris R. Forman,

Teams were appointed and districts were assigned at a meeting held Friday, May 9, 1924. The workers were consecrated to their task by Rev. Chester M. Davis at the morning church service on May 11. At a dinner meeting given at the church Tuesday evening, May 13, by Chairman William McCollum to the canvassers, reports of pledges amounted to \$13,398, including pledges for \$6,275 made by the members of the Community House Committee and a pledge for \$500 by the Cheerful Workers.

Another dinner was provided the following evening by David Armstrong and additional pledges reported at that time brought the total up to \$22,500.

The ultimate success of the canvass was assured at a meeting of the Community House Committee held December 19, 1924, when Chairman McCollum announced that Edwin M. Squier had given to the fund New York Central Railroad bonds valued at approximately \$22,475, making the

gift as a memorial to his mother, Catherine Craig Squier, who had been an active worker in the church during her lifetime, Another son, Fred C. Squier, also made a liberal contribution.

As Henry M. Woodruff and William H. Weldon, members of the committee, had passed away, the chairman named Fred C. Squier and Harold S. Gibbons to fill the vacancies. Mr. Squier and David Armstrong were then added to the building committee.

On February 16, 1925, a dinner was given by A. R. Wendell, H. H. Jardine, David Armstrong and William McCollum to the members of the Community House Committee and members of the congregation who had agreed to help in another canvass for additional funds needed to complete the amount believed necessary for the type of building desired. The Misses H. Nienstaedt, Elizabeth Seitz, Helen Squier, Irene Harriman, Abbie Hillman, Mrs. Lucy Oliver, Messrs. Garthwaite, Pritchard, Walton, Newkirk and John George were included in the volunteer workers. This canvass resulted in \$18,000 in additional pledges.

On August 7, 1925, volunteers went out to solicit more funds and the amount reached \$75,000, and then the architect was instructed to make modifications in the plans which brought the estimated cost of the proposed building within that amount.

Unusual problems of construction and arrangement made necessary to permit convenient connections between the old and new buildings were worked out with skill and satisfaction by Architect Williams, whose work received hearty approval and high commendation from the building committee. The pastor, Rev. Chester M. Davis, took an active part in the work of all committees as an ex-officio member and his services were greatly appreciated by the committee.

Contracts aggregating \$74,847 were signed for the erection of the building. The laying of the cornerstone occurred Friday, January 1, 1925. The program included: Opening sentences, by pastor; hymn, "The Church's One Foundation"; invocation, Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, D.D., superintendent of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey; responsive scripture reading led by Rev. Wallace H. Carver, of the Second Presbyterian Church, Rahway.

Laying of cornerstone, William McCollum, chairman of the General Committee and Architect Seymour Williams; address, Rev. Herbert K. England, D.D., moderator of Synod of New Jersey and pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Roselle; hymn, "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"; benediction, Pastor Davis.

Articles deposited in the cornerstone included: Brief sketch of the life of Mrs. Catherine Craig Squier, minutes of parish meeting authorizing the building, summary of minutes of building committee, copy of old record put in stone of church building in 1831, annual report, cornerstone program, copies of Elizabeth Daily Journal, Rahway Record, etc.

Dedication of the community house started Sunday night, December 5, 1926, with a union service under auspices of the Rahway Federation of Churches, with Rev. Mr. Davis presiding. This was followed on Monday, December 6, by a conference of ministers and officers of the Presbytery of Elizabeth. Rev. William O. Thompson, D.D., LL.D., moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, gave an address on "The Needs of Religious Education."

Others having part in the program of the conference were: Rev. E. B.

Cobb, D.D., pastor emeritus of the Second Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth; Pastor Davis, chairman of program and field activities committee; Rev. James H. Speer, D.D., secretary of general council of General Assembly; Rev. William Hiram Foulkes, D.D., LL.D., pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Newark.

Supper was served by the women of the church, including Mrs. Anna Wraight, Mrs. Walter M. Hall, Mrs. George Squier, Mrs. Sidney Schultz, Mrs. John Thune, Mrs. Mary Milnes, Mrs. Walter Smith, Miss Nellie Martin, Mrs. George C. Oliver, Mrs. Edwin S. Payne, Mrs. Charles A. Schults, Sr.; carving, Adolph Ulbrich, James M. Pettit, Stephen C. Bull; dining room, Mrs. S. C. Bull, Mrs. Adolph Ulbrich, Mrs. William Lints, Mrs. A. W. Muller, Mrs. Willard K. Clarkson, the Misses Mary and Abbie Hillman, Marion and Ruth George, Harriet Urmston, Lois and Beth Squier, Estelle Brandon.

A reception was held for the moderator of General Assembly and other guests, followed by an inspection of the building. The spacious structure with its large well-lighted auditorium, modern stage and galleries on three sides, with rooms on both wings, the modern gymnasium for athletic activities, church suppers and social functions, an attractive reception room, a corresponding room for Men's Bible Class and other similarly large groups, beginners, primary, junior, intermediate and senior departments of Sunday school, pastor's study, church office and library, modernly equipped kitchen, and other committee and classrooms, elicited the admiration and commendation of all.

Formal dedication of the building was marked by a special program starting Monday, December 6, 1926, at 8 P. M. The processional hymn was "How Firm A Foundation"; call to worship, by Pastor Davis; responsive reading, Psalm 24; "Gloria Patri"; anthem, "There Is a Blessed Home," Marks; act of dedication in which all participated in a responsive service, led by Pastor Davis, with closing part in unison; dedicatory prayer, Rev. James H. Speer, D.D., dedicatory address, Rev. William O. Thompson, D.D., LL.D., moderator General Assembly; prayer, Rev. William H. Foulkes, D.D., LL.D.; closing hymn, "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"; benediction, pastor.

## THE NEW MANSE

The physical condition of our over-a-century-old manse had reached the point where economy seemed to demand consideration of a new building, rather than attempt to repair the old.

Early in 1937 serious consideration was given this vital matter. Committees were appointed to investigate such a project in collaboration with the Board of Trustees comprised of Fred C. Shotwell, David Armstrong, William McCollum, George Squier, A. Fred Hope, Edwin Haliday, Harold S. Gibbons, Seymour Williams and Russell S. Hoff.

"Our own" architect, Seymour Williams, labored diligently revamping and revising drawings and blue prints. By June final plans and specifications, Mr. Williams' gift to the new Manse Project, were ready for contractors' bids.

At the same time a drive was opened to finance the new home. The "Dollar A Month Club" was formed;—each such member pledging an amount to be paid within fifty months so as to complete the plan for the two hundredth anniversary of the church organization to be held in the fall of 1941. The new manse cost approximately \$12,500.

Like the older manse, the present one is a frame building, very attractive in its dress of white. Unlike that of 1832 the new manse faces on Union Street, with a great expanse of lawn extending through to West Grand Avenue.

The majestic old sycamore or button ball giant, some fifteen feet in circumference, keeps constant vigil as it doubtless did when the old manse was erected over a century before. One standing by that "Symbol of Strength" can truly claim the words of the poem, "Only God can make a tree."

In the very last days of 1937 our present pastor and family stepped over the threshold of their new, comfortable and beautifully appointed manse home, which was formally dedicated January 1, 1938, in connection with a reception for the members of the congregation.

May the present home shelter our pastors of the future for another hundred years as did its predecessor, builded in 1832, protect those of the past century.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Robert Raikes of Gloucester, England, conceived the idea of systematic teaching of the Bible to "Children of the Poor." His first so-called "Ragged School" was opened in 1780.

About this time in America the Methodists, with other denominations following, organized Sunday Schools as a definite plan.

The "Old First Church" of Rahway, N. J., was in this vanguard, when as early as 1812, Rev. Buckley Carll (our third pastor) gave instruction in the Bible "to Adults and Youth" on Sabbath afternoons. Continuously our school has grown with present membership of 468 and holds sessions each Sabbath morning of the year. God has wonderfully guided our school through its almost 130 years, having raised up during this time some twenty-two leaders as superintendents, many having been helped and encouraged by able assistants.

Our honor roll of superintendents comprises Rev. Buckley Carll, Messrs. Amos Morse, John W. Seymour, Joseph T. Higgins, George W. Savage, Rev. S. S. Shedd, Messrs. Jeremiah Johnson, Jr., William V. McKenzie, Edward C. Potter, Sr., Charles R. Oliver, James C. Waters, Alonzo France, George T. Bugden, Fred G. Williams, Solomon C. Strong, I. W. Story, George W. Mingus, Roy Armstrong, Chalmers Reed, T. Clifford Laurent, E. Urner Goodman, and Charles A. Schults, Jr.

The assistant superintendents of which we can find record include Messrs. Henry M. Woodruff, E. J. Pritchard, Thomas Fitzpatrick, and William F. Davis.

We are a missionary-minded school contributing largely to many branches of the Foreign and National Mission Boards. We have our own missionary, Rev. Robert Waggoner, Bogota Station, Colombia, South America, and have special missionary enterprises in the motorship, Princeton, in Alaskan service; in the Ganado Mission to Navajo Indians in Arizona; Elat Station, Africa; Chiangmai Station, Thailand, Asia. With our slogan, "Sabbath School Every Sabbath," every effort is being made to continue this vital work ever increasing scope and effectiveness.

Reminiscent of the Sunday school of earlier days is the fact that the masculine and feminine classes sat on opposite sides of the old lecture room in the basement of the church, two rows on the Church street side

being occupied by the males and two on the side toward the manse by the females.

An interesting and unusual class in the early days was taught by Miss Lavina McKenzie, who had a group of Chinese for her pupils. The group with their long queues marched in regularly to the corner in the lecture room reserved for them and their coming was always watched with interest. Miss McKenzie also taught a mission class after prayer meetings Wednesday nights.

On September 16, 1896, the Session voted to make the Locust Grove Sunday School a branch of the local work in accordance with the request of the Locust Grove group.

A popular annual feature of the Sunday school program in which there was city-wide interest and participation was the excursion to Asbury Park. The record shows that the forty-seventh annual excursion in 1933 carried 1,800 persons. The increasing use of the auto caused the abolition of this annual feature. On a few occasions the trip was shifted to Lake Hopatcong and up the Hudson River. Outings are now of a departmental nature and are held at the county park. Back in 1876 the record shows that the picnic was held in "McKenzie's Woods." William V. McKenzie was a superintendent of the church school for many years.

During the administration of Superintendent E. Urner Goodman about seven years ago the conduct of the school program was placed in the hands of the young people by organization of a Student Council, giving the boys and girls responsibility and an opportunity to show their initiative. The Student Council presidents to date are: Seymour Williams, Jr., Miss Charlotte Williams, James Andrews, Theodore Goodman, Miss Doris Ulbrich, William Ritchie, Miss Evelyn Williams.

For a period of ten years the Sunday school gave a series of Christmas pageants that were outstanding features of the church year, attracting capacity congregations of townspeople and exerting a deep spiritual influence. These were directed annually by Mrs. Kenneth Ritchie.

## WOMEN'S MEMORIAL BIBLE CLASS

To keep remembrance fresh regarding a life of unselfish devotion to the cause of Christ and the needs of his children everywhere the Women's Memorial Bible Class was named in honor of Miss Emily Shotwell, whose death April 1, 1936, was caused by an auto while she was on her way home from attending midweek church service. Her ability to teach and to lead groups with divergent ideas, says Mrs. Theodore Ludlow, was a great influence in bringing many souls into the Master's fold. Her personality and character radiated love, sympathy and understanding and the class which became a memorial to her is emulating her spirit and service in numerous ways.

The present class officers are: President, Mrs. Ernest Kronenfeld; vice-president, Mrs. James Vignoli; secretary, Mrs. Grace Knapp; treasurer, Mrs. Alfred Mitchell; musical directress, Miss Harriet Mingus; teacher, Elder Joseph D. Person. The latter has done much to advance the welfare of the class. His practical application of Biblical truths to every-day living and presentation of the historical setting surrounding the lessons maintains a deep interest in the class sessions. The enrollment is steadily increasing. Mrs. Theodore H. Ludlow, one of the older members of the class, has aroused interest in the study of The Shorter

Catechism. Another esteemed aged member, who has done much for the church and the spreading of Christian influence, is Miss Emma Johnson, 92 years old.

The class makes substantial contributions to numerous worthy causes and to the Shelton Mission, Marshall, N. C. The Women's Bible Class existed in Dr. Sheddan's pastorate in 1870. Mrs. Oscar Boyd was a teacher. Three ex-presidents are living, including Mrs. Andrew Erickson, Mrs. Charles Oppel, Mrs. James McKay.

## **THE MOTHERS' CLASS**

Starting in June, 1935, with Mrs. Chester M. Davis as hostess at the manse The Mothers' Class became an integral part of the church school organization. Besides the meeting for study every Sunday morning at 10 A. M. from September to June in the community house the group has a business and social meeting on the third Monday of each month at the community house and in homes of different members. The class has a well defined program of public welfare and relief work. They have made substantial donations to Chinese, Greek, British War reliefs and United Service Organizations, as well as carrying on a continual aid to missions program. They look after needy families, have special speakers and operate on a budget plan. Mrs. Chester M. Davis has been class leader since the group was organized and has now grown to sixty members.

The present officers are: President, Mrs. Frank Hayen; vice-president, Mrs. O. C. Slotterbeck; secretary, Mrs. Fred Schubauer; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Campbell. Charter members of the class were: Mrs. Francis Sloat, first president; Mrs. Edward Corson, first secretary; Mrs. Fred Schubauer, Mrs. William McIntosh, Mrs. Ann Popo, Mrs. Lyle Cooper, Mrs. Edgar Rumble, Mrs. Chester M. Davis, Mrs. Thomas Bauer.

## **MEN'S BIBLE CLASS**

Established nearly thirty years ago, records not available for definite date, the Men's Bible Class has always been a vigorous force in the activities of the church. The class provides a committee to sponsor Boy Scout affairs, is co-sponsor with the Women's Class for the annual congregational dinner, has provided teachers in church school, participates in welfare and social activities, also with the Union County Federation of Men's Bible Classes. Outside speakers occasionally appear before the class on subjects of timely interest. The class meets in the community house every Sunday from October to June at 10 A. M. The class officers are: President, Lemuel Childs; vice-president, Elliott H. Stofflet, Ph.D.; secretary-treasurer, Walter L. Garthwaite; assistant secretary, A. Charles Oppel. Rev. Chester M. Davis, D.D., pastor; Donald W. Ruth, student assistant pastor, and Orrin A. Griffis have been leaders in Bible study and devotional services.

## **THE HOME DEPARTMENT**

Christian services and the study of God's Word is taken into the homes of persons unable to attend class sessions by the Home Department sponsored by the church school. This department now comprises sixty-two members and twelve visitors. The department visitors distribute journals containing Sunday lessons and programs for daily devo-

tions, make friendly calls on shut-ins and members who are ill or otherwise in need of companionship and sympathy.

Substantial aid is given to the Presbyterian Home for the Aged at Belvidere, the Week Day Church School, the Daily Vacation Bible School, and other groups. Flowers are frequently provided for the church and after services are taken to the homes of shut-ins.

Under a new plan the fund raising will be limited to the collections by the department visitors. In former years the department raised funds through visitors' collections, luncheons and penny offerings. From this fund contributions were made to mission work, parish work, deacons' fund, kitchen requirements and church decoration. Christmas and sympathy cards are sent.

The Home Department was formed a half century ago. Its work was greatly advanced and promoted by Miss Emily Shotwell and her Sunday school class. Miss Emma Johnson, our beloved nonagenarian member, became treasurer in 1922 and served until 1938, after which Miss Minnie Hillpot assumed the duties relinquished by her. Following the death of Miss Emily Shotwell, Mrs. James M. Pettit assumed the superintendency and served until Mrs. Joseph N. Tosh, the present superintendent, took over the leadership in 1938.

## **CRADLE ROLL DEPARTMENT**

For more than thirty-five years the Cradle Roll has been an important part of our Sunday school activities. Mothers of babies under three years are visited, the babies enrolled in the department, a certificate of enrollment presented, and the mother invited to attend the Mothers' Class. For three birthdays the children receive birthday cards. When they are three years old they are promoted to the Beginners' Department at a service on Children's Day, and a certificate of promotion and eligibility for the Beginners Department is issued to them. Mrs. E. Benjamin Cyphers is the present superintendent. Former superintendents whose names are immediately available were: Mrs. Charles W. Bostwick, Miss Mary E. Baumgartner, Mrs. E. Urner Goodman, Mrs. S. Kingsbury Clarke, Mrs. Robert Johanson.

## **WEEK-DAY CHURCH SCHOOL**

In the fall of 1929, the first Week-Day Church Schools in the Protestant churches of Rahway were opened at the First and Second Presbyterian Churches. They were directed by a committee from the Federation of Churches. The same faculty served in each school—in the Second church on Thursday afternoons and in the First church on Friday afternoons.

Finally the depression days forced the Second church to abandon the project. "Old First," however continued on and is still supporting the Week-Day School.

Hundreds of children have worked in the study classes. Many of the earlier ones are now teaching in the church schools and are taking active, vital interest in the work of the church.

Many churches have been represented, since the school is interdenominational in service, although entirely supported by the First Church members. It has been the "baby" of the Men's Bible Class. Well have they laid the foundations for carrying the "Light" into the future.

## DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The first Vacation Church School in Rahway was held in the summer of 1922. It was a union school and held at the Y. M. C. A. with most of the Protestant churches participating. After the Rev. Chester Davis became pastor of this church, he felt that the one school was not reaching as many children as ought to have advantage of the Vacation Bible instruction. So in the summer of 1924 he organized a school in the First Presbyterian Church in addition to the school at the Y. M. C. A. Dr. Davis had had considerable experience in the Vacation School movement in Chicago, where he conducted one of the most successful schools of the city. He contended that the more schools we had in the city the more children we would touch. His contention proved true when the first year there were more than two hundred pupils enrolled at the Presbyterian School and still more than the year before at the Union School at the Y. M. C. A.

For seventeen years we have conducted the vacation school for a period of four weeks immediately following the close of the public schools. For the first five or six years the enrollment grew until it exceeded three hundred. Since then it has slowly declined. Like many other good things that the church first saw the need of and give birth to, much of the work of the Daily Vacation Bible School has been taken over by other organizations. The recreational, and handicraft parts of the program are now being well done by the Y. M. C. A. day camp, the Girl Scouts day camp. The numerous playgrounds and the free swimming in the county park.

We believe however that the time is not far off when all these agencies for the betterment of children and youth will feel the vital need of religious instruction and will find a way to cooperate so that children will not be forced to divide their loyalties, in choosing between what is good and what is better by good organizations competing for their time and interest.

Some names deserve to be mentioned as outstanding leaders in this work of the Vacation Church School organization and growth in this church. Mrs. Wilbur Baumann, Mrs. Samuel Tooker, Miss Edith Patterson, Miss Helen Squier, Miss Carolyn Schults, now the wife of the Rev. William Cartmell, Mrs. Ned Baumgartner, Mrs. Charles Hubbard, Miss Maude Mundrane, Miss Florence Whitehead and Mrs. Raymond Bennett.

Mrs. Arthur Muller, Mrs. E. Urner Goodman, Miss Carol F. Davis, Miss Adelma Lyons, members of the Mothers' Class and hosts of others who have volunteered in this service to youth.

## WOMEN LEAD IN CHURCH ACTIVITY

Much of the spiritual life and efficiency of the church manifests itself through the ladies, organized in their different societies, says the historical sketch by Rev. J. Jay Pomeroy, a former pastor, writing in 1877.

The Ladies' Missionary Society—embraces a large membership, each member giving a weekly contribution, devoted equally to the Home and Foreign work. These pledges are gathered each week by a band of collectors assigned to different districts. A monthly meeting is held to learn how the collectors are succeeding in their duties, to impart information on the subject of Missions, and to pray for wisdom and strength to go forward in the work.

The Sharon Mission Band—composed of young ladies, cooperates with the Ladies' Missionary Society in their systematic work of weekly con-

tributing and collecting. With commendable enthusiasm the members of the Sharon Band have employed their talents of time, mind, heart, and skill, in the execution of useful and ornamental work. These two Societies, in their devotion to the cause of Missions, have saved the Church, during the past year, from falling below what has been contributed for Missions in better times. When thousands were collected and paid for church improvement and debt, the temptation to many was to omit the cause of Missions.

The Ladies' Sewing Society meets, with great fidelity, on Wednesday of each week, giving the whole of the afternoon to sewing, filling orders for persons who employ the Society at a reasonable compensation for the work done. The money earned by this voluntary and consecrated work is devoted to church purposes. The handsome sum that has been gathered during the last two years is an illustration of what a few persons can do by persevering and systematic work.

The Ladies' Association, in a quiet and unostentatious way, is efficient in exemplifying the command "to do good and to communicate—forget not." This Society has done much to develop the grace of Christian courtesy and sociability, by the monthly sociable that had been in different homes of the congregation during the past two winters; it also furnished intellectual enjoyment and profit to the community in furnishing a course of popular and instructive lectures.

The Society has been faithful in devising ways and means which have contributed to the pleasure and profit of the congregation and community, and at the same time secured a financial return that has been a great help to the Centennial Committee and Trustees in carrying forward the project of providing for the church debt, and paying for recent improvements.

## WOMEN'S PARISH WORK ASSOCIATION

A mass meeting of the women of the church held Wednesday, February 29, 1928, was the inception of the Women's Parish Work Association, destined to be one of the most successful organizations of the church. Called together for the purpose of strengthening and extending the work of all the women of the church the gathering was addressed by Mrs. Taylor, president of a similar organization working effectively in Westfield, who also outlined the plan as already producing valuable results in Southern Presbyteries.

A constitution and by-laws were adopted. A nominating committee composed of Mrs. Joseph D. Person, Mrs. Wilbur N. Baumann and Mrs. Arthur W. Muller presented a slate of officers, who were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Seymour Williams; first vice-president, Mrs. Free-land J. Gibbons; second vice-president, Mrs. Anna C. Wraight; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John J. Hoffman; recording secretary, Mrs. Frank M. Patterson; financial secretary, Mrs. Russell S. Hoff; treasurer, Mrs. Arthur W. Muller; stewardship, Mrs. Adolph Ulbrich.

The membership is designed to include every woman in the church and congregation. Any woman who makes a contribution of service, prayer, attendance or gifts shall be considered a member in regular standing. The purpose followed is to develop Christian fellowship and co-operation among all women of the congregation; to foster their spiritual development, and to increase their vision and service in the missionary and educational tasks for which the church exists.

Other officers who have carried the work forward were: 1930-32,

President Mrs. Wilbur N. Baumann, Recording Secretary Mrs. Alfred C. Brooks. 1932-34, President Mrs. John J. Hoffman, Recording Secretary Mrs. Willard K. Clarkson. 1934-36, President Mrs. George Squier, Recording Secretary Mrs. Henry W. Allers. 1936-38, President Mrs. Wilbur N. Baumann, Recording Secretary Mrs. Bancroft Livingston. 1938-40, President Mrs. Kenneth Ritchie, Recording Secretary Mrs. Fred G. Pfeiffer. 1940-42, President Mrs. Alfred C. Brooks, Recording Secretary Mrs. Edward J. Schmich.

Financial Secretary Mrs. Russell S. Hoff and Treasurer Mrs. Arthur W. Muller have served continuously since the organization was formed.

An advance step was taken March 12, 1931, when the membership of the association was divided into groups, one for each month from October to June, each with a captain. Closer fellowship and more intensive mission study was the purpose. These groups meet on the first Thursday afternoon of each month in various homes. Each group takes one monthly program and one monthly luncheon and helps with any church social activities during that month. By this method there is a group ready at all times to meet any emergency. These groups are a great help when the organization goes out to raise our apportionment. The membership in these groups is changed annual at the June picnic.

On the third Thursday of each month the association holds a monthly meeting. In the morning much sewing, quilting, knitting, hospital and Red Cross work is done. At 1 P. M. a luncheon is served, followed by an interesting program. The association has a definite part in supporting some of the Presbyterian missionaries and in the Presbyterian Home for the Aged at Belvidere.

Comfort and cheer is expressed to the sick in the congregation, together with the assurance of the prayers of the women, by the sending of the "Parish Rose," to each one who is afflicted in any way.

The present officers of the Women's Parish Work Association are:

President, Mrs. Alfred C. Brooks; first vice-president, Mrs. George Squier; second vice-president, Mrs. Robert Tait; recording secretary, Mrs. Edward J. Schmich; corresponding secretary, Mrs. James M. Pettit; treasurer, Mrs. Arthur W. Muller; financial secretary, Mrs. Russell S. Hoff.

Committee Chairmen—Program—Stewardship and Spiritual Life, Mrs. David McPherson; Missionary Education and Literature, Mrs. J. J. Hoffman; Christianity in Action, Mrs. William Lints; Program, Mrs. Raymond Bennett.

Service—Sewing, Miss May Garthwaite; Hospital, Mrs. Charles Oppel; Quilting, Mrs. O. B. Garthwaite, Sr.; Christmas Boxes and Choir Work, Mrs. Samuel Tooker; House, Mrs. Herman Scout; Social, Mrs. Lee Fiero; Transportation, Mrs. A. Fred Hope; Rosebuds, Mrs. William F. Davis; Publicity, Mrs. Charles Hubbard; Young People, Mrs. Edward Schremp; Belvidere Home, Mrs. James M. Pettit; Membership, Mrs. Fred G. Pfeiffer.

## THE FELLOWSHIP

In October 1928 it was felt by some of the leaders of the church that a young people's group should have a larger membership than fifteen, which at that time was the approximate membership of the Senior Christian Endeavor Society. Consequently church and Sunday school rolls were scanned and invitations were extended to all young people to attend

a reception to be held at the Community House on Sunday evening, October 28th, 1928. Approximately twenty new young people attended this reception and it was decided to form a new organization to be known as The Young People's Fellowship of the First Presbyterian Church of Rahway, New Jersey. The name was changed in January, 1938, to "The Fellowship." The Senior Christian Endeavor voted to become a part of the larger organization and at the election of officers the following were chosen: President, Mabel Reisner; secretary, Florence Whitehead; treasurer, Harold Rand. Charter members who still retain membership in The Fellowship are: Kenneth George, Charles Schults, Raymond Reisner, Lois and Howard Eppinger, Mildred Ludlow, Helen Francisky, Adellma Lyon, Clifford Laurent, Katherine Leblein, and Florence Whitehead.

Our group has been widely known for its service to others. We have taken care of poor families at Thanksgiving and Christmas, and have supplied needy families with milk during the year. At Christmas we give toys to deserving children. We collect magazines and distribute them to hospitals. In the summer we entertain the children at Camp Endeavor. During the year greeting cards are sent to members of our group and also to Church members who are ill.

The Fellowship has donated the flood-lights for the church auditorium and has given a lamp and draperies for the reception room. Every year we give the trustees \$100 for the use of the building. We have given \$300. each to the redecorating and manse funds. We were instrumental in starting a contribution for the Two Hundredth Anniversary Fund. We give \$100 yearly to missions and make annual contributions to the Deacon's Fund, Y. M. C. A., Camp Endeavor, and Week Day Church School. We carry a budget of approximately \$900 and at the end of the year we maintain a small balance.

Our Fellowship Players have become quite famous in this locality as we have been giving outstanding productions for more than ten years. Mrs. Kenneth Ritchie and Mrs. Raymond Bennett have been our very efficient coaches. From these plays we clear between \$250 and \$300 which is used for service to others. The plays we have given are: "What About Betty?", "Winners All," "Lady Windermere's Fan," "Nellie Was A Lady," "Big Hearted Herbert," "Art For Art's Sake," "Daddy Long Legs," "The Fool," "The Late Christopher Bean," "The Royal Family."

Our meetings have been greatly varied. We frequently have well-known speakers to address us. Sometimes we have forums, debates or dramatic meetings.

The social activities of The Fellowship have kept the group friendly and cooperative. We have an annual theatre party; go roller skating; have an evening at the Y. M. C. A. every now and then; have square dances, and give newly married couples a pantry shower. We have made trips to West Point, Manasquan, Lake Placid and to Washington, D. C., at cherry blossom time. We have entertained a group from The Marble Collegiate Church, of New York, and another group from Yonkers, New York, at tea, and have been entertained by them likewise.

Looking back one finds that in 1931-1932-1933 our group won the attendance banner at the annual Young People's Conference of the Presbytery of Elizabeth. You may have seen the permanent banner in the reception room which we were given for three years' consecutive winning.

In 1932 a constitution was adopted which has been the basis of many

of our decisions although there have been revisions made in the original constitution.

In March, 1933, a historian was appointed to take care of the records of the activities of the group.

In June, 1936, a publication was started which is known as "The Fellowship Flashes." This paper keeps us in touch with the activities of the group and in close contact with our members. It is a source of great enjoyment to all of our members.

Our membership has grown to over sixty. The Fellowship is composed of people from many walks of life. Some are secretaries, salesmen, chemists, school teachers, cleric workers, engineers, housewives, etc. Some are talented musicians and soloists and are a great aid to the choir. We feel that being such a representative group is one of the factors which contributes to the cooperation and ever-growing success of this fine group of young people of the old historic First Presbyterian Church.

(Contributed by Florence S. Whitehead)

## THE WESTMINSTER SOCIETY

Founded October 13, 1914, the Westminster Society has done much to promote the spiritual life and general uplift and welfare work of the young women of the church. The first meeting held at the manse with Rev. and Mrs. L. Y. Graham, Jr., on above date was also attended by Mrs. H. F. Mooney, Mrs. Solomon C. Strong, Mrs. Cyrus W. Squier, the Misses Elizabeth Garthwaite, Mildred Ludlow, Ada Woodruff, Florence E. Grove, Minora and Edwina Pomeroy. The purpose of this society to promote the study of missions, deepen the spiritual life of its members and to develop the sense of responsibility for the world task of the church has been consistently followed for twenty-seven years.

A service of worship is a part of every meeting and the program hours are devoted to the promotion of enterprises of the Boards of National and Foreign Missions, and a discussion of a book on missions. Hospital and Red Cross work is being done by members at meetings and at their homes, as one of the best ways to promote the spirit of service and helpfulness to our brethren at home and abroad.

We hope that the work of this society, having been founded by such outstanding Christian pioneers and carried on by its faithful officers and members, will continue to have its beacon a symbol of Christian living, thus bringing joy, help and comfort to all with whom they come in contact, and to radiate sunshine to the darkest corners of the earth.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

The Young Peoples Christian Endeavor Society is one of the youngest groups in the church, having been organized in October, 1938. There are about sixteen active members of college age in this society whose aim is to become better Christians. Annual meetings are held at Camp Northover at which time officers are elected and plans for the coming year are made.

Considerable progress was made during the first two years with John Oppel as president and Mrs. Kenneth Ritchie as adviser. Among the activities of the group during this time were a Mother's Day tea, a cake sale, the making of Christmas wreaths for the church, making clothes for poor children, and the giving of baskets of food at Thanksgiving and

Christmas. The first financial endeavor of the society, a sample bazaar, was held during the second year and was quite successful. An outdoor meeting at Hacklebarny State Park closed the year.

Robert Garthwaite presided over the group during the year 1940-1941 with Kenneth Terry as new adviser. The outstanding event of the year was the presentation of two one act plays, "Cloudburst" and "Thank You, Doctor," in the community house. Under the very capable direction of Miss Gertrude Patterson, and, with the fine cooperation of the cast and other members of the society, these presentations were an outstanding success. The children at Camp Endeavor are entertained as an annual custom. Mid-week summer church services were sponsored by this group during 1941.

Christian fellowship is furthered through occasional social events such as theater parties, bowling and swimming at the "Y," skating parties, and picnics.

The officers for the coming year are Miss Elise Laurene, president; James Andrews, vice-president; Jay Habbart, treasurer; Miss Edith Penman, corresponding secretary; Miss Mildred Collins, recording secretary.

## **HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY**

As a part of the comprehensive plan to provide adequate organizations and facilities for each age group the High School Christian Endeavor Society was organized several years ago and is functioning effectively. It is instilling a deeper personal consecration and definite religious ideas and aims in a large group of young folks. Meetings are held in the community house every Sunday from 6:45 to 7:45 P. M. from September to May. The Social Service Committee has done extensive work in distributing holiday baskets among deserving families and has participated in survey work among young people of the parish area. The officers are: President, Ned Chapin; secretary, Harriet Gerner.

## **INTERMEDIATE AND JUNIOR CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR**

October, 1938, marked the initial meeting of the Intermediate and Junior Christian Endeavor with Miss Carol F. Davis and Miss Lois von Beidel, advisors.

Community service projects have played an important part in our program and have been supplemented by two plays, "As Thyself" and "Tomorrow is Thanksgiving." Together with our interest in Camp Endeavor and Dunbar Center, we have established a claim in the Ganado Missions, Arizona, and have contributed toward a leper colony in India.

At Union County Christian Endeavor Conferences and rallies we have met Christian Endeavorers throughout the county and at various times have entertained them at our church. Several attendance awards have been presented to us at these affairs.

Picnics, hikes, parties and boat rides up the Hudson River have been our social functions during the past three years. "Ship Ahoy" and "School Days" were our two outstanding minstrels.

Miss Mary Fabycki is the new intermediate advisor, and Miss Eva Roesch, the junior advisor. The officers are: Rodney von Beidel, president; J. Carol Davis, vice-president; Peggy Edwards, secretary; Jean Popo, treasurer.

## ATHLETICS

With the erection of the new Community House athletics were given a definite impetus forward. In the basement of the new building space was provided for a splendid basketball court, and with the proper facilities available, a group formed the first basketball team to represent the First Presbyterian Church. The team played a schedule of games against independent teams with marked success. Among the players on the earlier team were Amil Borden, George Scaff, Lyman Squier, Francis Sloat, Walter Hall, Clifton Smith and Clifford Laurent. Later on the personnel changed and included Edward and Ralph Schremp, Charles Schults, Raymond Reisner and others.

The gymnasium was also used extensively by the younger groups of boys and girls classes in the Sunday School, by the Boy Scouts and other organizations; in fact, because of the great demand for the use of the gym, it was necessary to adopt a schedule for the different evenings of the week.

The lead of the earlier group has been followed through up to the present time, and the team now headed by Kenneth Farmer has been representing the First Presbyterian Church in the Union County Church League the last two years and has made a notable record for itself.

The gym has been the scene of many spirited volleyball games, too. On the evenings when the men of the church gathered together for fellowship and fun, and it would be a good thing for the men if more of these occasions were sponsored by them from time to time.

Out of the beginning of the athletic activities have come the bowling teams of the church. The Fellowship team and the team representing First Presbyterian in the Union County Church Bowling League have brought credit to us. Always among the leaders, both of these teams have been winners of the league championship on several occasions.

The First Presbyterian softball team, formed almost entirely from the senior members of the Fellowship, has carried the standard to the heights. Winners of the league championship several times, the team has always been one of the leading teams in the city, and in the all-star aggregation which played against the younger combination last year, several of its members played important parts.

## FINANCIAL HISTORY

"Under this phase of our history," says J. Lawrence Hunter, our financial statistician, "we may well recall Paul's words to the Corinthian Christians—'Now concerning the collection.'"

The original chart dated February 1, 1832, when the present building was dedicated, shows prices listed for each pew ranging from \$320 to \$25 per year. The pew rentals for 1832 were figured at seven per cent of these "listed" prices. This meant that the wealthy members could profit from fifty-two weeks of sermons for \$22.40 and the members of moderate means could imbibe that same spiritual edification for \$1.75.

The pew chart totals a "list" value of \$15,510, which resulted in a rental expectation of \$1,086 for the year, if all pews were rented. This system of defraying expenses survived in part until the church year of 1923, or shortly after our present minister, Dr. Davis, became our pastor.

After most careful and prayerful consideration the time-honored pew

rental system gave place to the more modern and present every member canvass, with which we are all familiar. This plan tends to make each member more conscious of his individual responsibility to the church and in providing for its general running expenses and missions at home and abroad.

The following tabulation should prove interesting. It covers the last three church years of the "rental system" compared with the last three years of the present system.

PEW RENTAL SYSTEM		
Annual Report	Pew Rental System	
April 1st	Net Receipts	For Missions and Benevolences
1921	for Year	
1921 .....	\$ 5,488	\$1,329
1922 .....	4,881	1,507
1923 .....	5,447	1,515

#### EVERY MEMBER CANVASS PLAN

1939 .....	\$11,148	\$3,383
1940 .....	11,429	3,694
1941 .....	11,160	3,535

#### COMMITTEE OF TWENTY-ONE

The first set of gowns used by the choir were provided by the Committee of Twenty-one, says John J. Hoffman, who had the distinction of serving seven years as president. Many other practical things were done by this group, such as providing new curtain and stage lights, large tables for dinners, procuring more than \$250 worth of silverware for church use, purchased many new hymnals for church and aided in numerous other ways. Members of the Committee of Twenty-one were elected by the Church League. This league comprised those who gave through the envelope system. Among the early outstanding workers on the Committee of Twenty-one were Miss Emily Shotwell, Miss Mary Baumgartner, Mrs. W. H. Weldon, Mrs. S. P. Haliday, Mrs. Mary Brooks, Mrs. Anna Wraight, Mrs. Samuel Tooker, Mrs. Walter M. Hall, Mrs. Eva Brooks Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pritchard, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M Woodruff and others.

#### BOY SCOUTS

As far back as 1893 the Session recognized that recreational activities for boys as well as worship were essential to their well being. At that time Cyrus W. Squier was appointed director of a boys' brigade. John J. Hoffman asked permission to form a Boy Scout troop on June 16, 1922. Remembering the value of his experiences as a member of The Boys Brigade of America while living in Pittsburgh, Mr. Hoffman soon had Troop 7 a flourishing organization of Boy Scouts. Scoutmaster Hoffman, Secretary John M. Newkirk and Theodore Landenberger were the first officers. The first troop meeting was attended by David Currie, Kenneth Terry, David Lane, Donald Ludlum, William Little, Victor Jones, John Burden, Frank Housman, Clarence George, Fred Wagner, Albert Francisky, Richard Little and several others. Stephen Gyory joined later and

became the first Gold Eagle Scout in Rahway. The troop subsequently became Troop 47.

Edwin M. Squier gave the boys \$75 to procure kitchen equipment, two tents and food supplies for three days when the boys went on their first camping trip in 1924. The boys attended Sunday school regularly and had their own class with their scoutmaster as teacher. In less than a year the troop had twenty-eight members. The enrollment became so large that it was necessary to form two units, the Eagles and Bears. They procured their own troop flags and other equipment. The boys were active in the life of the church and "did a good turn daily," many of them developing into useful citizens. Thomas Conway succeeded John Hoffman as scoutmaster. Alfred S. Wyllie also served as scoutmaster preceding Dale Caswell, who has been the leader for nearly eight years.

The troop had forty-one members the past year. Ted Droege, Harland Sisler and Albert Stumpf have been assistants. The Troop Committee is composed of Chairman Herman Scout, Kenneth Ritchie, Emlyn Edwards, Benjamin Cyphers, Dr. Foster Orton. Joseph D. Person is church representative on District Council.

## **CUB PACK 212**

The first unit of Cubs was organized in October, 1934, as Cub Pack 72, under the leadership of Edgar E. Rumble. This unit grew from sixteen boys to more than forty in about a year. In 1936 Mr. Rumble found it necessary to relinquish leadership. Anthony Melody became the next leader. The membership ranges from twenty to thirty-five boys. George W. Schaefer assumed the leadership in 1940 and is now in charge. The unit is now identified as Pack 212.

## **GIRL SCOUTS AND BROWNIES**

Robin Troop, No. 8, Girl Scouts, was organized by Miss Gladys Nichols, local director, and Mrs. Charles W. Hubbard was named captain. The troop was sponsored by the church and the first scout committee included Mrs. Alfred C. Brooks, chairman; Mrs. Seymour Williams, Mrs. William F. Davis, Miss Isabella Ritchie, Miss Mildred Wraight, Rev. Chester M. Davis, who served several years. Subsequent changes placed Mrs. George E. Anderson, Mrs. Kenneth Ritchie and Miss Helen Squier on the committee. The only registered lieutenant was Mrs. E. Urner Goodman, who served one year. Acting lieutenants for several years included the Misses Gretchen Kightlinger, Carol F. Davis and Eleanor Larson.

Mrs. Charles W. Hubbard had the honor of being the first local captain to receive a ten-year service stripe for a decade of continuous service. Girls from every church in the city have at one time or another been members of this troop and many of them have become active in church and church school work.

Robin Brownie Pack 2 was organized in February, 1930, by Miss Hazel M. Parmalee, local director, and Mrs. Hubbard became the Brown Owl leader. She was assisted by Miss Georgena Maybury and Miss Christine Evans. Mrs. E. Urner Goodman and Mrs. Alfred C. Brooks subsequently served as supervisors of this group. The troop and pack have always carried a full quota of members with a waiting list continually prevailing.

## SEXTONS OF CHURCH AND CEMETERY

For many years Amos Morse performed the manifold duties of sexton of the original church in St. George avenue. Records are not available to show how long he served. The sexton at that time not only took care of the church, but also served as superintendent of the cemetery. George White appears to have served almost continuously from 1834 to 1845. Joel Gamberton served a part of 1837-38.

William J. Geery filled the office for twenty-one years, from 1849 to 1869, inclusive, with the exception of the church year commencing in April, 1862, when Peter D. Squier temporarily took over the job. Edward G. Scisco served a part of the year 1869. Joseph T. Randolph assumed the duties in 1869 and served many years. He was followed by James Clark and Thomas Kidd.

J. J. Urmston took up the duties in 1904 and served until his death in August, 1917. He was the last to have the dual duties of church sexton and cemetery superintendent. Following his death Harry Haliday became the first to have supervision of the cemetery, without the church duties being included. He is still serving in that capacity, having a record of twenty-four years of faithfulness and efficiency. Mr. Urmston was a member of the church fifty years, an elder thirty-five years and sexton thirteen years.

Church sextons following J. J. Urmston whose duties related to the care of the Church only included Edward Stacy, John Madison, from 1920 to 1931; William Weigl, 1931-37; John Oppel, one summer; Carlton Higbee, 1937-39. William Jaenke, the present efficient sexton, began his duties in 1939.

## THE RAHWAY CEMETERY

Like many of the early colonial churches our church has the seemingly providential heritage of The Rahway Cemetery intrusted to its keeping. Directly linked with the church site for the first ninety years of its history this burial ground has six generations of Rahway citizens laid to rest in its confines and therefore has a definite hallowed attachment in the hearts and minds of many of the old Rahway families.

Whether or not a cemetery could not be more efficiently managed by private individuals or a corporate company, than by the trustees of the church seems to have been settled long ago. In 1836 certain parties purchased several acres of land west of the church burial ground and offered lots for sale. This enterprise was not successful and the land embraced within the proposed cemetery area was purchased by the trustees of the church.

The trustees of the cemetery are the same board which controls the church property and are elected as are other church officers at the annual congregational meeting. For four years, from 1860 to 1864, the trustees were authorized to dispose of all their rights in the cemetery belonging to the church "to any company who will purchase the same and continue to use it as a cemetery."

This overture for negotiations was rescinded April 13, 1864, when the offer was never satisfactorily taken up by any outside company. The cemetery was incorporated under the laws of New Jersey, entitled "an act to incorporate associations not for pecuniary profit."

Besides the historic grave of Abraham Clark there are many Revolu-

tionary War soldiers and prominent early colonists buried within its confines, as well as leading citizens of the successive generations.

Three former pastors of this church are buried in the Rahway cemetery, including Rev. Aaron Richards, D.D., Rev. Samuel S. Sheddan, D.D., Rev. William Alfred Gay, D.D.

The original cemetery surrounding the church contained a little more than an acre. The cemetery now has about thirty acres of which about eight have been added by small purchases during the last twenty years.

## PRESBYTERIAN PIONEERS

The courage and decision that have characterized Presbyterian progress and the lives of its parishioners was early exemplified. William B. Crowell one of the elders of this church in its early days had in his possession a large family Bible that was taken by British soldiers from the home of his mother and carried with other plunder to Staten Island. Miss Eunice Bloomfield, who later became Mrs. Crowell, was living at her father's home between Rahway and Metuchen. The sacred volume together with her favorite cow, also taken by the raiders, proved to be such a spiritual and material loss to the family that she decided to do something about it.

Miss Bloomfield decided to recover the stolen Bible and cow. Accompanied by two servants she crossed over to Staten Island at Blazing Star ferry, now in the bounds of Carteret. She made known her mission to the officer in command. Her personal presence and heroic spirit secured a favorable hearing. After much search the Bible was found aboard a gunboat near the shore.

When brought to the commanding officer he examined the Bible and found therein a registry of deaths. Among them was the recent entry of a brother of Miss Bloomfield as having been killed by the British in battle. He handed the volume to her with the remark: "Well, there is one rebel less to fight us."

As to the cow, Miss Bloomfield could have it if she could identify it among the great herd which had been gathered from East Jersey farms in the recent raid. To go among the great restless herd within the large inclosure would be fruitless and dangerous for the petitioner. After scanning the animals for a long time Miss Bloomfield was about to give up when it occurred to her to resort to the call used by her at home. The call was sounded in the usual home tone. To the surprise of the commanding officer and men and to the joy of Miss Bloomfield, the animal made its way through the vast herd and leaped the rail to stand by her side.

"The cow is yours. You may take her home," said the commanding officer. In joy and triumph Miss Bloomfield and the two servants left the British camp with Bible and cow identified and reclaimed.

Because of his ardent patriotic spirit and support of the colonists' cause the first pastor of this church, Rev. Aaron Richards, had to flee to escape capture by the British.

In the Rahway cemetery are the graves of many Revolutionary War soldiers, a goodly number of whom were undoubtedly members of the First Church congregation. Because early church records are lost there is no accurate way of determining how many of them were identified with the church.

A list of them is given, however, so that oldtimers may refresh their

memories about the early history. Among the Revolutionary soldiers buried there are: John Adams, John Anderson, Matthias Baker, Robert Bloomfield, Deacon James Bonney, David Brant, Capt. Lewis Brant, Daniel Brecount, Benjamin Brookfield, Abraham Clark (the latter a signer of Declaration of Independence), David Clark, Jeremiah Clark, Robert Clark, Capt. Thomas Clark, Asher Coddington, Abner Cory, David Craig, Peter Craig, James DeCamp, Lambert DeCamp.

David Edgar, William Fletcher, Samuel Force, Major Benjamin Frazee, George Frazee, Samuel Freeman, Isaac Harrison, William Harrison, Col. Moses Jaques, Joseph Lee, James Loree, Capt. Daniel Marsh, Jabish Marsh, James Marsh, Johiel Marsh, John Marsh, John Marsh, Lieut. Rolph Marsh, Samuel Marsh, James Mills, Mulford Marting.

Capt. Amos Morse, Deacon John Oliver, Joseph Oliver, Sr., Isaac Payne, Capt. John Payne, Rev. Aaron Richards (patriot), Valentine Sillcocks, Capt. Richard Skinner, Daniel Squier, Amos Terrill, Peter Trembley, Joseph Willis, Jonathan Woodruff.

## PRESBYTERIANS IN OTHER WARS

While the members of the old First Church are not any more warlike than any other similar group of the human family, they have always been in the forefront as volunteers to defend the causes of right and justice. Members of the church and congregation in service during the Civil War, 1861-65, according to a list prepared by the late Mrs. Kate Fealds, included the following: Wash Disbrow, Phineas Frazee, Uel Freeman, Charles A. Grove, Dr. D. W. C. Hough, John Hunter, John H. Johnson, Augustus Laing, John R. Morss, Sr., Ira Morgan, William McVicar, Noah Noe, Charles Oliver, H. N. Oliver, James Oliver, Joseph Oliver, Samuel Oliver, Sergt. John Renton, John Rowland, John Tooker, Samuel Tooker, William Tooker, Philip Trussler, Justus Trussler, Dan Urmston, George Whitehead, Henry Kip Woodruff. Of these Sergt. Renton, John H. Johnson and Samuel Tooker were killed in action and Augustus Laing was wounded.

Men of this church and congregation, so far as we have knowledge, who served in the Spanish-American War, 1898, were: John Adams Daner, Lawrence B. Jobs, Louis Terhune, Herman Ulrich, Cyrus W. Squier.

Forty-eight young men of the church served in Army or Navy during the World War, 1917-18, according to records available. Those in the Army were: Arthur J. Armstrong, Elmer G. Armstrong, J. Roliford Ayres, Alfred C. Brooks, Hubbard Chapin, Charles B. Carman, Henry W. Cleary, Herbert Gehring, George O. Graves, Walter L. Garthwaite, Herbert Hollings, George L. Helmstadter, Lester E. Hall, Reginald Hall, William M. Lints, James D. Lints, Clarence V. Ludlow, Merwyn Miller, Walter Milnes, J. Bruce MacWhinney, Everett S. MacWhinney, John O. Morss, George W. Mingus, Kenneth Ritchie, William T. Ritchie, George W. Stewart, Louis Schweitzer, LeRoy Taynor, Ellsworth Terrill, Clarence A. Ward, Elwood Wright, Earl Wraight, Jesse F. Wraight, Chester White. Of these Henry W. Cleary died in service.

Those serving in the Navy were: Louis Auge, George Auge, Howard J. Charles, Oscar B. Garthwaite, Jr., William H. Hollings, George Hollings, Freeman Lufberry, Clifford W. Ludlow, Edgar F. Milnes, Frank Margrey, Nelson S. Reeves, Sedgwick R. Ryno, Walter Woodruff, Raymond Wraight.

## BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In 1933 there was a memorial fund established, the interest on which is to be used to keep the church building in repair.

In the Book of Remembrance are recorded the names of the persons in whose loving memory the gifts are made, the names of the donors, and the amounts of the gifts. The book is kept in a lovely cabinet, built and presented by Parker Loblein.

Memorial gifts may be made in any amount from one dollar up and as often as friends and relatives care to make them.

The names entered in the Book of Remembrance and the donors are as follows:

### MEMORIAL GIFTS

To the Memory of	Donor	Date
John Colie Armstrong	Mrs. J. C. Armstrong	12-9-34
Mrs. Viola Duff Ackerman	Mrs. H. W. Allers	12-9-34
Mr. Henry W. Allers	Committee of "21"	5-26-36
Mr. Henry W. Allers	Deacons	5-26-36
Mr. Henry W. Allers	Men's Bible Class	5-26-36
Mr. Henry W. Allers	Mrs. H. W. Allers	3-28-37
Mrs. Alice Haliday Bostwick	Miss Virginia Bostwick	12-9-34
Mrs. Helen Erwin Bull	Women's Parish Work Assoc.	12-9-34
Mrs. Lydia Shotwell Beebe	Mrs. F. B. Hitchcock	1-28-35
Mr. Barney Thompson Biddle	Mr. & Mrs. John H. Biddle	12-6-38
Mr. George Franklin Champlin	Mrs. Charles W. Hubbard	11-22-35
Mr. George Franklin Champlin	Mrs. Edwin L. Gardiner	12-30-35
Mrs. George Franklin Champlin	Mrs. Charles W. Hubbard	11-22-35
Mrs. George Franklin Champlin	Mrs. Edwin L. Gardiner	12-30-35
Mr. Hubbard Payson Chapin	Mrs. Edward Chapin	3-28-37
Mr. Edward W. Chapin	Mrs. Edward Chapin	3-28-37
Mr. Robert E. Duff	Mrs. H. W. Allers	12-9-34
Mrs. Ann M. Dunn	Mrs. Arbie Miller	12-9-34
Mrs. Susanna Hawthorne Duff	Mrs. H. W. Allers	3-28-37
Dr. Edwin Cox Donnalld	Mrs. Edwin Cox Donnalld	12-6-38
Dr. Edwin Cox Donnalld	Miss Grace Donnalld	12-6-38
Charles Augustus Grove, Sr.	Mrs. C. W. Ludlow	12-9-34
Charles Augustus Grove, Sr.	Florence Edith Grove	12-3-39
Mrs. Anna Woodruff Grove	Mrs. C. W. Ludlow	12-9-34
Mrs. Anna Woodruff Grove	Miss Florence Edith Grove	12-3-39
Mr. Alex Renton Fealds	Mrs. Kate B. Fealds	12-9-34 — 2-4-35
Mr. Oscar B. Garthwaite, Sr.	His Family	12-9-34
Mr. Edwin Leander Gardiner	Mr. & Mrs. C. W. Hubbard	11-22-35
Mr. Edwin Leander Gardiner	Mrs. Edwin L. Gardiner	12-30-35
Mrs. Nancy Margretta Ganswyck	Miss Cora E. Ganswyck	3-28-37
Mrs. Ella Trussler Haliday	Mrs. Lee Fiero	12-9-34
Mr. Charles Frederick Hubbard	Mr. Charles W. Hubbard	11-22-35
Mrs. Charles Frederick Hubbard	Mr. Charles W. Hubbard	11-22-35
Mr. Harry Winn Hubbard	Mr. Charles W. Hubbard	11-22-35

To the Memory of	Donor	Date
Miss Dorothy Jones	Robin Troop Girl Scouts	12-9-34
Miss Dorothy Jones	Mr. & Mrs. F. Jones	2-4-35 & 2-25-35
Mr. William H. Kelley	Mrs. William H. Kelley	10-11-36
Mr. Francis Lints	His Family	9-12-34
Mrs. Elizabeth Kip Ludlow	Miss Mildred Kip Ludlow	12-3-39
Mrs. Elizabeth Chapin Miller	Miss Mildred Ross	12-9-34
Mrs. Elizabeth Chapin Miller	Mrs. John B. Ross	12-9-34
Mrs. Elizabeth Chapin Miller	Mrs. C. B. Fowler	12-9-34
Mrs. Ruth E. Mundrane	Mrs. Sarah R. Newton	5-26-36
Mrs. Ruth E. Mundrane	Miss Maude E. Mundrane	5-26-36
Mrs. Ruth E. Mundrane	Miss Harriet C. Mundrane	5-26-36
Mr. John B. Mundrane	Miss Harriet C. Mundrane	5-26-36
Mr. John B. Mundrane	Mrs. Sarah R. Newton	5-26-36
Mr. John B. Mundrane	Miss Maude E. Mundrane	5-26-36
Mr. Stephen Burroughs Morss	The Family	4-1-40
Mrs. Stephen Burroughs Morss	The Family	4-1-40
Mrs. Mary Milnes	"The Quilters"	10-29-40
Mrs. Sarah Crate Noe	Mrs. George Squier	2-28-34
Miss Margaret Oliver	Sunday School Pupil	1-5-36
Mr. James M. Pettit	Mrs. James M. Pettit	12-9-34
Mr. Frank Patterson	Men's Bible Class	12-9-34
Mrs. Edith Story Peiffer	Mr. Henry Peiffer	10-27-35
Mrs. Edith Story Peiffer	First Pres. Church School	5-27-37
Mrs. Edward J. Pritchard	Mr. Edward J. Pritchard	4-1-40
Mrs. Edward J. Pritchard	First Pres. Sunday School	3-1-38
Mrs. Sarah H. Rosenberger	Miss Anne Hunsicker	12-3-39
SHOTWELL	The Family	12-9-34
Abraham F.		
Mary T.		
John		
Sarah F.		
Townsend W.		
Lydia H. (Beebe)		
Emily A.		
Abram F.		
Ida		
Miss Emily Shotwell	Women's Memorial Bible Class	5-26-36
Miss Emily Shotwell	Committee of "21"	5-26-36 & 4-4-37
		12-6-38
Mrs. Henry Nelson Schremp	Edward A. Schremp	12-9-34
Mr. Henry Schremp	Ralph G. Schremp	6-24-41
Mr. Irving Walter Story	Mrs. Edith Peiffer	12-9-34
Mr. Robert Edward Soule, Jr.	Mrs. Robert Ed. Soule, Sr.	12-30-35
Mrs. Anna M. Terry	Mr. Samuel H. Terry	6-5-38
Mrs. Anna M. Terry	Mr. Kenneth W. Terry	6-5-38
Mr. John Joseph Urmston	Miss Harriet Urmston	12-9-34
Miss Louise B. Urmston	Miss Harriet Urmston	12-9-34
Mrs. Emma Urmston	Committee of "21"	12-9-34
Mr. Henry M. Woodruff	Mrs. Elsie Mooney	12-9-34
Mrs. Henry M. Woodruff	Mrs. Elsie Mooney	12-9-34
Mr. Richard Norman Wilson	Mrs. O. B. Garthwaite, Sr.	10-1-40
Mr. Charles A. Mayer	Mrs. Ralph G. Schremp	6-24-41
Mr. William Henry Powles	Mrs. Evelyn F. Powles	6-24-41

## GIFTS TO THE CHURCH IN MEMORIAM AND OTHERWISE OTHER THAN THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Much of the present equipment and furnishing of the church and community house has been made possible through the hard work and generosity of members of the different church organizations and interested clubs. Some of these have been The Fellowship, the various Christian Endeavor Societies, Choir, Committee of Twenty-one, Women's Parish Work Association, Men's Bible Class, Women's Memorial Bible Class, Mothers' Class, Sunday School, Cheerful Workers, Daily Vacation Bible School, Westminster Society, Westminster Guild, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Tuesday Afternoon Club.

Other gifts not included in the presentations made by organizations are:

Elder Thomas Laurent gave silk American Flag.

Edith Story's class, Silk Church Flag.

Edward M. Squier by will, \$5,000.

Large American flag (Anon.) (1940).

Book marks in pulpit bible given by Girl Scouts, Robin Troop No. 6, in memory of Dorothy Jones.

Jessie W. Francisky, two old prints of church, etc. (June, 1941).

Pulpit Bible given by Mrs. Anna Kelly in memory of her husband, William H. Kelly.

Outside bulletin board given by Charles Schults, Sr., Sunday School class. Parker Loblein gave the two cases which hold the Book of Remembrance and the Guest Book.

Bible now used on Sunday School desk given by Oscar B. Garthwaite, Sr., in memory of his mother, Mrs. Mary Garthwaite, 1820-1909.

Marble top on old desk used when Sunday School was held in lecture room, inscribed 1814-1871.

Silver plaque on Henry M. Woodruff's pew, inscribed "In Memory of Henry M. Woodruff, elder from 1885 to 1924."

Electric clock on church pulpit given by Men's Bible Class in memory of Henry W. Allers.

Vase given by Wilbur Baumann in memory of his wife Evelyn Baumann.

Trees planted in church yard:

Two by W. C. T. U.—One in memory of Frances Willard; one in memory of Women's Crusade 1873-74.

Two by Sunday School—One in memory of Miss Emmy Shotwell; one in memory of Wilfred Van Fleet.

Bronze bowl and pedestal in memory of Miss Emmy Shotwell by the Sunday School and Memorial Bible Class. (The pedestal was first given by Mrs. Andrew Erickson to Junior Department, which in turn gave it for the Shotwell Memorial.)

Plaque in door of Primary Department inscribed "In Memory of Charles Hugh McCollum" denoting large gift by Mr. and Mrs. William McCollum.

Plaque in Community House in memory of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Weldon, liberal givers, given by their children.

Clock in reception room given by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ludlow in memory of Mrs. C. A. Grove.

Clock in Men's class given by S. Freeman Garthwaite in memory of his wife.

Clock in Beginners room given by Mrs. Kate Fealds in memory of her son, Renton Fealds.

Communion Table Cloth given by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Aszman in memory of her brother, Walter Harris Beynon.

Miss Isabella Aszman's Bible given her about 1860 by the First Presbyterian Sunday School, presented by Carl Aszman, her nephew (1941).

Two silver communion trays presented by Edward Pritchard in memory of Mrs. Pritchard.

One silver communion tray presented by Mrs. George Squier in memory of her husband, George Squier.

Mr. Carl Aszman fixed letters and repaired the bulletin board.

Present communion service in memory of William Valentine McKenzie, given by the family. First used for communion service July 11, 1909.

Organ presented by Mrs. William C. Squier, in memory of her husband, William C. Squier, 1912.

Community House in memory of Mrs. Catherine Craig Squier (Mrs. Wm. C.)

Pulpit Bible given by the Ladies' Association.

Pulpit Bible given by Miss Jane Squier, 1832.

Lewis M. Prall Bible given by Mrs. Mark W. Baumgartner (other books also, 1940-1).

Some early records given by Mrs. Kip Woodruff.

Large clock in Junior Department given by George Squier.

Steam table in community house kitchen given by Mrs. Lucy Oliver.

Mrs. Mary Jane Seward by will, left \$1,000 July 16, 1926, for improvements, etc.

Two church pedestals (1941, anon.).

Brass samovar, given by Women's Parish Work Association in memory of Mrs. Evelyn Baumann.

Pulpit cloth given by Mrs. Lillian Allers in memory of her husband, Henry W. Allers.

Chest for holding communion silver given and made by William Weigl in memory of Miss Emmy Shotwell.

Miss Emma Johnson gave framed list of pew holders of about 100 years ago.

Walking stick made from old pew, given by Miss Harriet Urmston.

Box to hold minutes of annual meetings, made and given by S. Freeman Garthwaite.

Walter Garthwaite made gavel for use of presiding officer at congregational meetings.

Picture for Community House of Christ Child, given Mrs. Chester Davis.

Photographs of ministers framed and hung in reception room gift of Men's Bible Class and Sunday School, Jan. 31, 1932, when celebration of 100th anniversary of church building.

Mrs. Harry P. Ryno (Jennie Scisco), gave a donation in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Scisco, her parents. This gift started the fund for the present electric lighting system, in 1932.

Dr. M. T. Gay made possible the printing of Mr. Graham's Historical Sermon, Nov. 12, 1916.

Permanent Bulletin Board (fastened to the front of church building) given by Russell Hoff. Lettering was done by Arthur Price.

"La Disputa" a large framed picture, hanging in men's class room, given by Mrs. C. D. Ward.

Pictures on the walls in the auditorium of Community House, were given and framed by Rev. Charles F. Shaw, when he was the pastor. They were formerly in the old lecture room.

Pupils of Miss Maude Mundrane's class gave table in their Sunday school room.

Numerous new hymnals were given in memory.

Annie Sheddan Bible printed in 1864.

Pulpit Bible dated 1869.

Water color of old church in cemetery by Miss Florence V. Merritt.

\$1,000. anonymously given during pastorate of Rev. L. Y. Graham.

\$1,000, name of donor not available, interest only for educational purposes.

## BEQUESTS

(Taken from Historical Sketch, John Jay Pomeroy, 1877)

In 1769 William Springer devised the house and premises wherein he lived "unto the Presbyterian Church and Society in Elizabethtown, Rahway." This property is now owned and occupied by Richard Avery, on Ross street, near Kinzey Corner. It was for years in possession of the Trustees of the Church and known as the "small parsonage." Abraham Clark, the signer of the Declaration of Independence, was one of William Springer's executors, and is supposed to have written the will. This document is still in possession of the Trustees, and is a fine specimen of penmanship and clearness of statement.

The twenty-two acres on the south corner of St. George's and Linden avenues, upon which the old parsonage was built, was the gift or bequest of George Ross to the church.

The father of William C. Squier bequeathed \$50 to the church, which, with the accruing interest, was to become available at the expiration of fifty years following the testator's death.

## OLDTIME MEMBERS

A chronological list of the oldtime members now living who united with the church before the turn of the century is as follows:

Mrs. John B. Ross .....	1874
Miss Mary Hally .....	1874
Mrs. Mary S. Baumgartner .....	1880
Mrs. Walter M. Hall .....	1883
Mrs. Elizabeth F. Coles .....	1883
Mrs. Anna Wraight .....	1884

Mrs. Theodore Ludlow .....	1884
Mrs. William H. Merritt .....	1884
Miss Cora Ganswyck .....	1884
Miss Harriet M. Squier .....	1884
Mrs. George Squier .....	1885
Miss Julia V. George .....	1886
Mrs. Arbie J. Miller .....	1888
Charles W. Ludlow .....	1889
Mrs. Mary A. Lints .....	1889
Frederick Alexander .....	1889
Mrs. Lucy C. Fitzpatrick .....	1890
Mrs. Margaret Garthwaite .....	1890
Mrs. William L. B. Helmstadter .....	1890
Mrs. George E. Newton .....	1890
Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence .....	1890
Mrs. Annie Reeder .....	1891
Mrs. Ada M. Leonard .....	1891
Mrs. Herbert Smith .....	1891
Miss Clara B. Fowler .....	1891
John B. D. George .....	1892
Miss Annie Belle Rowland .....	1892
Mrs. A. Pauline Ward .....	1893
Mrs. Herbert F. Mooney .....	1893
Mrs. John B. D. George .....	1894
David Armstrong .....	1894
Mrs. Fannie Lambert .....	1894
Miss Isabelle Whitely .....	1894
Mrs. William Ader .....	1894
Mrs. Emil C. Bartels .....	1894
Mrs. Fred C. M. Fetter .....	1894
Miss May E. Garthwaite .....	1894
Joseph W. Urmston .....	1894
Mrs. Thomas Ochiltree .....	1894
Miss Harriet Urmston .....	1894
Mrs. Sidney Schultz .....	1895
Mrs. Freeland J. Gibbons .....	1897
Mrs. Ray Chapin Hagaman .....	1898
Miss Clara E. Chapin .....	1899
Miss Florence V. Merrit .....	1899
Thomas Ochiltree .....	1899

## SIX GENERATIONS CONNECTED WITH CHURCH

Some of the oldtime families have sixth, fifth and fourth generations affiliated with this church. The Woodruff family leads with six generations, including William Woodruff, Erastus Washington Woodruff, Henry M. Woodruff, Elizabeth Endley Woodruff (Mrs. Herbert F. Mooney), Virginia Boyd Mooney (Mrs. Eric Reisner), Christopher Reisner.

Four families have had five generations in the church, including Ritchies, Squiers, Ludlows, Garthwaites. The Ritchie generations include Mrs. Isabella Buchanan McKechnie, Mrs. Margaret Colquhoun, Annie J.

Colquhoun (Mrs. William T. Ritchie), Kenneth R. Ritchie, William David Ritchie.

The Squiers go back to Mr. and Mrs. John Crate, Sarah Crate (Mrs. Noe), Sarah Elizabeth Noe (Mrs. George Squier), Lyman Radley Squier, Radley and Marion Squier.

Miss Mildred Ludlow is the fifth generation, which started with Mrs. Cornelius Kip (Susan Van Tuyl), Mrs. Christopher Denman Woodruff (Elizabeth Kip), Anna Woodruff (Mrs. C. A. Grove), Lizzie Grove (Mrs. C. W. Ludlow).

The Garthwaite generations started with Soloman Freeman, Mary Freeman (Mrs. Jeremiah Garthwaite), Solomon Freeman Garthwaite and Oscar B. Garthwaite, Jere Garthwaite and Oscar B. Garthwaite, Jr., Robert Garthwaite and David Garthwaite.

The four generation families are represented by seven different groups. Mrs. James Ochiltree, Mrs. Sarah Ochiltree Hollings, Marjorie Hollings (Mrs. Alonzo Lawrence), Alonzo Lawrence, Jr.

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Elizabeth Garthwaite (Mrs. A. D. Gibbons), Harry Gibbons, Harold S. Gibbons, and Freeland J. Gibbons, Harry and Marion Gibbons, Donald and Dorothy Gibbons.

Mrs. John Tooker, Kate Tooker (Mrs. Walter M. Hall), Margaret Hall (Mrs. Donald Fagans), Donald Fagans.

Agnes Clark (Mrs. Phineas Frazee), Mary Elizabeth Frazee (Mrs. Edward G. Scisco), Mary Emma Scisco (Mrs. Theodore Ludlow), Miss Evelyn Ludlow.

Mrs. Alpheus Chapin, Edward Chapin, Sr., Edward Chapin, Jr., Edward Chapin, 3d., Jack and Lee Chapin.

John Oliver, Ida Oliver (Mrs. S. Burroughs Morss), Edith Belle Morss (Mrs. Freeland J. Gibbons), and Ida Morss (Mrs. David L. Martin), John Oliver Morss, Donald and Dorothy Gibbons, David and Ruth Martin, Audrey Morss.

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Price, Louis V.	Rollinson, M. Josephine
Pritchard, Edward John	Ross, Mrs. John B.
Perry, Charles W.	Rowe, William J.
Ramberg, Leon	Rowe, Mrs. Alvin
Ramberg, Mrs. Leon	Rowland, Annie Belle
Ramberg, Lucille	Ruddy, Raymond
Ramberg, Leon Jr.	Ruddy, Mrs. Raymond

Ruddy, Marion  
 Ruddy, William G.  
 Rudkin, Thomas  
 Rudkin, Mrs. Thomas  
 Rudkin, Donald  
 Rudkin, Wilma  
 Rudkin, Thomas Jr.  
 Rumble, Edgar  
 Rumble, Mrs. Edgar  
 Ryno, Sedgwick R.  
 Ryno, Mrs. Sedgwick R.  
 Saling, Lena M.  
 Sammond, Mrs. Arthur  
 Schaefer, Albert  
 Schaefer, Mrs. Albert  
 Schaefer, Marion  
 Schaffer, William  
 Schaffer, Mrs. William  
 Schaffer, Dorothy  
 Schaffer, William Jr.  
 Schmich, Edward J.  
 Schmich, Mrs. Edward J.  
 Schremp, Edward A.  
 Schremp, Mrs. Edward A.  
 Schremp, Ralph  
 Schremp, Mrs. Ralph  
 Schreiber, Mrs. Margaretta  
 Schubauer, Fred  
 Schubauer, Mrs. Fred  
 Schults, Charles A. Jr.  
 Schults, Mrs. Charles A. Jr.  
 Schultz, Albert H.  
 Schultz, Mrs. Albert H.  
 Schultz, Mrs. Sidney  
 Schweitzer, Eleanor  
 Scirrotto, Mrs. James  
 Schuetz, Dorothy  
 Schweitzer, Mrs. C. William Jr.  
 Scout, Herman  
 Scout, Mrs. Herman  
 Seitz, Thomas  
 Seitz, Mrs. Thomas  
 Selb, Franklin  
 Sensenig, Peter A.  
 Sensenig, Mrs. Peter A.  
 Sensenig, Warren A.  
 Sexton, Roy  
 Sexton, Mrs. Roy  
 Shannon, Mrs. Margaret  
 Shaw, Jane  
 Shortreed, Kenneth  
 Shortreed, Mrs. Kenneth  
 Shotwell, Beverly  
 Sica, Mrs. Anthony  
 Siccama, Mrs. Theodore

Shupper, Stephen  
 Silvers, Earl Reed  
 Silvers, Mrs. Earl Reed  
 Silvers, Earl Reed Jr.  
 Silvers, Evelyn  
 Simpson, Mrs. Harry Jr.  
 Skarda, Charles  
 Skarda, Joseph  
 Skarda, Mrs. Joseph  
 Sloat, Mrs. Stephen  
 Slotterbeck, O. C.  
 Slotterbeck, Mrs. O. C.  
 Smith, Mrs. Burnham  
 Smith, Mrs. Charles  
 Smith, Mrs. Mary  
 Smith, Mrs. Herbert F.  
 Soos, Stephen  
 Soos, Mrs. Stephen  
 Spencer, Mrs. Fred  
 Spencer, Fred Jr.  
 Squier, Mrs. George  
 Squier, Harriet M.  
 Squier, Helen L.  
 Stacey, Mrs. Fannie  
 Stacey, June  
 Stacey, Walter  
 Stacey, Mrs. Walter  
 Stacey, Wm. H.  
 Stark, Robert  
 Stark, Thomas  
 Stebner, John  
 Stephens, Mrs. David  
 Stephens, Victor C.  
 Stephens, Mrs. Victor C.  
 Stephens, Victor C. Jr.  
 Stephens, Allan  
 Stewart, Mrs. Sophie  
 Stewart, Margaret  
 Stofflet, Elliot H.  
 Stofflet, Mrs. Elliot H.  
 Stoll, Mrs. Wilma C.  
 Stoll, Wilma  
 Stoll, Ramona  
 Stuart, Mrs. Charles  
 Sullivan, Mrs. Minnie  
 Sullivan, Marie  
 Suto, Albert B.  
 Suto, Mrs. Rose  
 Suto, Irene  
 Tait, Mrs. Robert  
 Tandy, Fred S.  
 Tandy, Mrs. Fred S.  
 Tara, Michael  
 Tatro, Harold  
 Tatro, Mrs. Harold

Tatro, Robert  
 Taylor, Mrs. Kenneth  
 Taylor, Mrs. A. E.  
 Taylor, Mrs. Agnes  
 Taylor, Nelson  
 Terry, Dorothy  
 Terry, Kenneth  
 Thornton, James M.  
 Thornton, Mrs. James M.  
 Thornton, John R.  
 Thornton, Mrs. John R.  
 Thornton, Ethel  
 Thornton, Vivian  
 Thompson, Mrs. LeRoy  
 Thomsen, Leonard  
 Thomsen, Mrs. Leonard  
 Thune, John  
 Thune, Mrs. John  
 Tiffany, Mrs. Robert  
 Tooker, Mrs. Samuel  
 Tosh, Joseph N.  
 Tosh, Mrs. Joseph N.  
 Tosh, Ruth D.  
 Tosh, Edith  
 Tosh, Joseph N. Jr.  
 Toto, Frank  
 Trembley, Mrs. George  
 Tribull, Mrs. Richard  
 Trimmer, Mrs. Clarence S.  
 Trimmer, Clarence S.  
 Trudel, Edwin  
 Tulloch, Marjory  
 Turner, Wm. A.  
 Turner, Mrs. Wm. A.  
 Turner, Wm. Charles  
 Ulbrich, Adolph  
 Ulbrich, Mrs. Adolph  
 Ulbrich, Doris T.  
 Ulbrich, Fred A.  
 Urmston, Emma D.  
 Urmston, Joseph W.  
 Urmston, Harriet L.  
 Van Buskirk, Mrs. Pauline  
 Van Buskirk, Edgar  
 Van Doren, Helen  
 Van Dorn, George  
 Van Dorn, Mrs. George  
 Verhagen, Mrs. Edward  
 VanSant, Robert  
 Vignoli, Mrs. James  
 Vignoli, James  
 Vignoli, Robert  
 Viohl, Mrs. Frederick  
 VonBeidel, Lawrence A.  
 Vonderbecke, Mrs. Gretchen

Vonderbecke, Otto  
 Vonderbecke, Mrs. Otto  
 Wagner, Fred  
 Wagner, Mrs. Fred  
 Walch, Charles  
 Walch, Mrs. Charles  
 Waldheim, William  
 Waldheim, Mrs. William  
 Walsh, Mrs. Thomas  
 Ward, Mrs. A. Pauline  
 Ward, Clarence A.  
 Warren, Vernelle  
 Warren, Mrs. Vernelle  
 Wargo, Helene  
 Watts, Jean  
 Waybrant, Alexander  
 Weigl, Mrs. Emma  
 Weis, Mrs. George  
 White, George  
 White, Mrs. George  
 Whitehead, Florence  
 Whitehead, Gladys  
 Whitley, Isabelle  
 Whittington, Evelyn  
 Williams, Charlotte  
 Williams, Gladys  
 Williams, Seymour  
 Williams, Mrs. Seymour  
 Williams, Manley C.  
 Williams, Seymour Jr.  
 Williams, Evelyn  
 Wills, William R.  
 Wills, Mrs. William R.  
 Wilson, Chris. N.  
 Wilson, Mrs. Chris. N.  
 Wilson, George  
 Wilson, Walter L.  
 Wilson, Theodore  
 Wimmer, Mrs. Emily Ross  
 Winters, Vivienne  
 Witte, Eugene B.  
 Wittich, Harold W.  
 Wittich, Mrs. Harold W.  
 Wittke, Richard A. P.  
 Woodruff, Mrs. Carrie E.  
 Woodward, Emma  
 Woodward, Marjorie  
 Wolff, Mrs. M. H.  
 Wolff, Raymond  
 Woolley, Clinton  
 Woolley, Mrs. Clinton  
 Wraight, Mrs. Anna F.  
 Wraight, Mildred  
 Wraight, Jesse F.  
 Wraight, John Earl

Wright, Raymond  
 Wright, Mrs. Raymond  
 Wright, Mrs. Mary E.  
 Wright, Mrs. William  
 Wright, Helen  
 Wolcott, Mrs. Ferdinand

Yeager, Mrs. Cornelius A.  
 Zaehring, Bernard  
 Zaehring, Mrs. Bernard  
 Zboray, Mrs. Andrew  
 Zirpolo, Gene A. V.

## SUCCESSION OF ELDERS

Because early records of the church were not preserved the elders who served prior to 1800 are not definitely known. Dates are only approximately correct on those that are recorded in the early days after 1800. The elders of which there is record were as follows:

John Wood, 1804-1814  
 Merie Martin, 1804-1814  
 Nathaniel Hadden, 1804-1842  
 Aaron Tucker, 1807-1849  
 Jonathan Meeker, 1808-1813  
 Amos Morse, 1809-1871  
 Benjamin Megee, 1809-1813  
 Samuel Trembly, 1814-1817  
 Thomas Morris, 1815-1837  
 William Connett, 1825-1851  
 David Meeker, 1825-1848  
 Latham Clark, 1825-1848  
 Job Squier, 1832-1836  
 Joseph Oliver, 1832-1838  
 Jonathan Thompson, 1832-1849  
 Frederick King, 1832-1849  
 John Crowell, 1837-1858  
 George F. Webb, 1837-1849  
 Jonathan T. Ely, 1850-1851  
 Caleb Halsey, 1850-1851

Charles L. Lathrop, 1850-1855  
 Randolph De Camp, 1859-1864  
 Ira Bingham, 1867-1868  
 Jeremiah Johnson, Jr., 1869-1874  
 Charles P. Williams, 1869-1876  
 Henry S. Moore, 1869-1884  
 William B. Crowell, 1837-  
 Joseph Randolph, 1850-  
 Joseph Woodruff, 1859-  
 William V. McKenzie, 1873-  
 William E. Wells, 1873-1882  
 Charles H. Clark, 1882-1887  
 Charles R. Oliver, 1882-  
 Joseph Beach, 1882-  
 Edward C. Potter, 1882-  
 James C. Waters, 1884-  
 John Van Vliet, 1886-  
 Henry M. Woodruff, 1887-1924  
 Ira B. Bull, 1891-

## ELDERS

1890  
 Joseph Beach  
 H. M. Woodruff  
 J. C. Waters  
 1891  
 Joseph Randolph  
 W. V. McKenzie  
 Ira B. Bull  
 1892  
 C. R. Oliver  
 E. C. Potter  
 John Van Vliet  
 1893  
 Joseph Beach  
 H. M. Woodruff  
 J. C. Waters  
 1894  
 W. V. McKenzie  
 Ira B. Bull

Joseph J. Urmston  
 1895  
 C. R. Oliver  
 E. C. Potter  
 Frank L. Potter  
 1896  
 Joseph Beach  
 H. M. Woodruff  
 J. C. Waters  
 1897  
 W. V. McKenzie  
 J. J. Urmston  
 J. H. Williams  
 R. M. McKenzie  
 1898  
 C. R. Oliver  
 E. C. Potter  
 F. L. Potter

E. H. Ridgeway  
 W. H. C. Coles  
 1899  
 W. H. C. Coles  
 H. M. Woodruff  
 J. C. Waters  
 John H. Williams  
 1900  
 W. V. McKenzie  
 J. J. Urmston  
 John H. Williams  
 1901  
 E. C. Potter  
 F. L. Potter  
 C. A. Grove  
 1902  
 W. H. C. Coles  
 George T. Bugden  
 I. W. Story

Joel B. McKenzie

1903

Alonzo France

Joseph J. Urmston

W. V. McKenzie

I. W. Story

J. B. McKenzie

1904

Joel B. McKenzie

F. G. Williams

I. W. Story

S. B. Morss

Richard Horton

1905

I. W. Story

Alonzo France

W. H. C. Coles

David Armstrong

1906

W. V. McKenzie

J. B. McKenzie

J. J. Urmston

I. W. Story

W. H. C. Coles

F. G. Williams

1907

W. V. McKenzie

J. B. McKenzie

J. J. Urmston

I. W. Story

W. H. C. Coles

F. G. Williams

1908

W. H. C. Coles

J. B. McKenzie

W. V. McKenzie

I. W. Story

F. G. Williams

J. J. Urmston

E. J. Pritchard

1909

J. J. Urmston

W. H. C. Coles

S. C. Strong

1910

J. B. McKenzie

Edw. J. Pritchard

F. G. Williams

1911

I. W. Story

S. C. Strong

1912

J. J. Urmston

W. H. C. Coles

1913

Edw. J. Pritchard

F. G. Williams

H. M. Woodruff

1914

H. M. Woodruff

E. J. Pritchard

J. J. Urmston

F. G. Williams

W. H. C. Coles

S. C. Strong

I. W. Story

1915

W. H. C. Coles

S. C. Strong

F. G. Williams

J. J. Urmston

I. W. Story

E. J. Pritchard

H. M. Woodruff

1916

H. M. Woodruff

E. J. Pritchard

J. J. Urmston

F. G. Williams

W. H. C. Coles

S. C. Strong

I. W. Story

1917

I. W. Story

H. M. Woodruff

E. J. Pritchard

C. A. Grove

F. G. Williams

W. H. C. Coles

J. J. Urmston

1918

W. H. C. Coles

J. B. D. George

I. W. Story

H. M. Woodruff

E. J. Pritchard

F. G. Williams

C. A. Grove

1919

W. H. C. Coles

J. B. D. George

I. W. Story

H. M. Woodruff

E. J. Pritchard

F. G. Williams

C. A. Grove

1920

W. H. C. Coles

E. J. Pritchard

C. A. Grove

J. B. D. George

H. M. Woodruff

I. W. Story

F. G. Williams

1921

E. J. Pritchard

C. A. Grove

W. H. C. Coles

H. M. Woodruff

I. W. Story

J. B. D. George

F. G. Williams

1922

C. A. Grove

James M. Pettit

J. B. D. George

E. J. Pritchard

I. W. Story

W. H. C. Coles

William F. Davis

F. G. Williams

H. M. Woodruff

1923

William F. Davis

F. J. Gibbons

J. B. D. George

E. J. Pritchard

C. A. Grove

Thomas Laurent

James M. Pettit

H. M. Woodruff

F. G. Williams

1924

William F. Davis

F. J. Gibbons

J. B. D. George

E. J. Pritchard

Thomas Laurent

James M. Pettit

H. M. Woodruff

F. G. Williams

1925

E. J. Pritchard

James M. Pettit

I. W. Story

William F. Davis  
F. J. Gibbons  
J. B. D. George  
Thomas Laurent  
F. G. Williams  
Charles A. Schults, Sr.

1926

F. G. Williams  
Thomas Laurent  
E. J. Pritchard  
J. M. Pettit  
I. W. Story  
William F. Davis  
F. J. Gibbons  
J. B. D. George  
W. H. Merritt

1927

F. J. Gibbons  
Thomas Laurent  
James M. Pettit  
E. J. Pritchard  
Wm. H. Merritt  
F. G. Williams  
William F. Davis

1928

F. J. Gibbons  
Thomas Laurent  
James M. Pettit  
E. J. Pritchard  
Wm. H. Merritt  
Joseph D. Person  
F. G. Williams  
William F. Davis  
Roy S. Armstrong

1929

F. J. Gibbons  
Thomas Laurent  
J. M. Pettit  
E. J. Pritchard  
William H. Merritt  
Joseph D. Person  
F. G. Williams  
William F. Davis  
Roy S. Armstrong

1930

F. J. Gibbons  
Thomas Laurent  
J. M. Pettit  
E. J. Pritchard  
William H. Merritt  
Joseph D. Person  
William F. Davis  
Roy S. Armstrong

Thomas Fitzpatrick  
Seymour Williams

1931

A. Fred Hope  
Thomas Laurent  
James M. Pettit  
E. J. Pritchard  
William H. Merritt  
Joseph D. Person  
Thomas Fitzpatrick  
Seymour Williams  
Alfred C. Brooks

1932

A. Fred Hope  
Thomas Laurent  
Joseph D. Person  
James M. Pettit  
Seymour Williams  
A. C. Brooks  
John R. Newkirk  
William F. Davis  
J. L. Hunter

1933

A. Fred Hope  
John R. Newkirk  
T. Clifford Laurent  
F. J. Gibbons  
Chalmers Reed  
Seymour Williams  
A. C. Brooks  
William F. Davis  
J. L. Hunter

1934

A. Fred Hope  
John R. Newkirk  
T. Clifford Laurent  
F. J. Gibbons  
Chalmers Reed  
J. D. Person  
Thomas Fitzpatrick  
William F. Davis  
J. L. Hunter

1935

A. Fred Hope  
George W. Bartlett  
T. Clifford Laurent  
F. J. Gibbons  
Chalmers Reed  
J. D. Person  
Thomas Fitzpatrick  
Kenneth Ritchie  
Francis E. Sloat

1936

A. Fred Hope  
George W. Bartlett  
J. L. Hunter  
William F. Davis  
John R. Newkirk  
Kenneth Ritchie  
Francis E. Sloat  
Joseph D. Person  
Thomas Fitzpatrick

1937

F. J. Gibbons  
G. W. Bartlett  
J. L. Hunter  
William F. Davis  
John R. Newkirk  
Kenneth Ritchie  
F. E. Sloat  
T. Clifford Laurent  
Chalmers Reed  
E. Urner Goodman

1938

F. J. Gibbons  
Charles A. Schults, Jr.  
J. L. Hunter  
William F. Davis  
John R. Newkirk  
T. Clifford Laurent  
Chalmers Reed  
E. Urner Goodman  
J. D. Person  
A. Charles Oppel

1939

F. J. Gibbons  
Charles A. Schults, Jr.  
T. Clifford Laurent  
Chalmers Reed  
E. Urner Goodman  
J. D. Person  
A. Charles Oppel  
Frank Hehnly  
Henry B. Peiffer  
Kenneth Ritchie

1940

George W. Mingus  
Charles A. Schults  
T. Clifford Laurent  
Chalmers Reed  
J. D. Person  
A. Charles Oppel  
Frank Hehnly  
Henry B. Peiffer  
Kenneth Ritchie

1941

George W. Mingus  
T. Clifford Laurent  
Chalmers Reed

Frank Hehnly  
Henry B. Peiffer  
Kenneth Ritchie

J. L. Hunter  
William F. Davis  
A. C. Brooks

## DEACONS AND DEACONESSES

1905

David Armstrong  
F. G. Williams  
Richard Horton, Sr.

1906

David Armstrong  
E. J. Pritchard  
Richard Horton, Sr.

1907

David Armstrong  
F. J. Gibbons  
E. J. Pritchard

1908

David Armstrong  
F. G. Williams  
E. J. Pritchard

1909

David Armstrong  
F. J. Gibbons  
H. H. Jardine

1910

David Armstrong  
F. J. Gibbons  
H. H. Jardine

1911

David Armstrong  
F. J. Gibbons  
H. H. Jardine

1912

G. W. Mingus  
David Armstrong  
F. J. Gibbons

1913

G. W. Babel  
G. W. Mingus  
David Armstrong

1914

G. W. Mingus  
G. W. Babel  
Dr. F. C. Woodruff

1915

G. W. Babel  
Dr. F. C. Woodruff  
John A. Hess

1916

Edward Milnes  
J. B. D. George  
Dr. F. C. Woodruff

1917

Dr. F. C. Woodruff  
Edward Milnes  
J. B. D. George

1918

Edward Milnes  
Dr. F. C. Woodruff  
Thomas C. Woodruff

1919

Edward Milnes  
Dr. F. C. Woodruff  
Thos. C. Woodruff

1920

T. C. Woodruff  
Edward Milnes  
G. W. Mingus

1921

T. C. Woodruff  
G. W. Mingus  
William F. Davis

1922

T. C. Woodruff  
G. W. Mingus  
A. C. Brooks

1923

T. C. Woodruff  
A. C. Brooks  
Joseph D. Person

1924

A. C. Brooks  
Joseph D. Person

1925

A. C. Brooks  
Joseph D. Person

G. L. Helmstadter

Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
G. W. Mingus  
Charles A. Schults, Sr.  
Mrs. Jennie Pritchard  
Miss Emma Johnson  
Mrs. Mary McG. Payne

1926

Joseph D. Person  
C. A. Schults  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Geo. W. Mingus  
Mrs. Jennie Pritchard  
Miss Emma Johnson  
Harry F. McConaghy  
John R. Newkirk  
Mrs. Lucy C. Oliver

1927

John R. Newkirk  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. Wallace Ludlow  
Miss Emma Johnson  
Harry F. McConaghy  
Mrs. Lucy C. Oliver

1928

John R. Newkirk  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. Wallace Ludlow  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Harry F. McConaghy  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick  
Thomas Fitzpatrick

1929

John R. Newkirk  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. Wallace Ludlow  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Harry F. McConaghy  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick  
Thomas Fitzpatrick

1930

John R. Newkirk  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. W. Ludlow  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Harry F. McConaghy  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick  
Thomas Fitzpatrick

1931

John R. Newkirk  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. W. Ludlow  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Harry F. McConaghy  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1932

Herbert F. Mooney  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
C. W. Ludlow  
William Lints  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
Miss Emma Johnson  
Mrs. E. J. Pritchard  
George Bartlett

1933

Herbert F. Mooney  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. W. Ludlow  
William Lints  
Miss Emma Johnson  
Mrs. E. J. Pritchard  
George Bartlett

1934

Herbert F. Mooney  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. W. Ludlow  
William Lints  
Francis E. Sloat

Miss Emma Johnson  
Mrs. E. J. Pritchard  
George Bartlett

1935

Henry W. Allers  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Chas. A. Schults, Jr.  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. W. Ludlow  
William Lints  
A. Charles Oppel  
Miss Emma Johnson  
Mrs. E. J. Pritchard  
George Bartlett

1936

Henry W. Allers  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Charles A. Schults, Jr.  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
C. W. Ludlow  
William Lints  
Howard Eppinger  
Alfred Pearce  
Mrs. E. J. Pritchard  
A. Charles Oppel  
Miss Emma Johnson

1937

C. W. Ludlow  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Charles A. Schults, Jr.  
A. Charles Oppel  
William Lints  
Howard Eppinger  
Alfred Pearce  
Mrs. E. J. Pritchard  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
Miss Emma Johnson

1938

Frank Hehnly  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Francis E. Moore  
William Lints  
Howard Eppinger

Alfred Pearce  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
Miss Emma Johnson  
C. W. Ludlow  
William McIntosh

1939

William McIntosh  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Francis E. Moore  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Howard Eppinger  
Alfred Pearce  
C. W. Ludlow  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
Emma M. Pettit  
Raymond Bennett

1940

William McIntosh  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Francis E. Moore  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Howard Eppinger  
Alfred Pearce  
C. W. Ludlow  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
Emma M. Pettit  
Raymond Bennett

1941

William McIntosh  
Mrs. Mary M. Payne  
Alfred Pearce  
Francis E. Moore  
Miss Emma Johnson  
William Lints  
Howard Eppinger  
C. W. Ludlow  
Mrs. Jennie M. Tooker  
Emma M. Pettit  
Raymond Bennett  
Joseph Tosh  
Edgar Rumble  
Samuel R. Morton

## TRUSTEES

1905

W. H. Weldon  
S. B. Morss  
F. C. Shotwell  
J. B. McKenzie

H. S. Beebe  
C. W. Squier  
H. H. Jardine  
C. D. Ward  
W. H. Merritt

1906

W. H. Weldon  
S. B. Morss  
F. C. Shotwell  
J. B. McKenzie

W. H. C. Coles  
David Armstrong  
H. H. Jardine  
C. D. Ward  
W. H. Merritt

1907

W. H. Weldon  
W. H. C. Coles  
O. B. Garthwaite  
David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell  
H. H. Jardine  
J. B. McKenzie  
C. D. Ward  
W. H. Merritt

1908

C. D. Ward  
F. C. Shotwell  
O. B. Garthwaite  
David Armstrong  
J. B. McKenzie  
C. A. Grove  
W. H. C. Coles  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon

1909

C. D. Ward  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
O. B. Garthwaite  
J. B. McKenzie  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon  
H. Kip Woodruff

1910

C. D. Ward  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
O. B. Garthwaite  
J. B. McKenzie  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon  
H. Kip Woodruff

1911

C. D. Ward  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
O. B. Garthwaite  
J. B. McKenzie  
F. J. Gibbons  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon

H. Kip Woodruff

1912

W. H. C. Coles  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
A. R. Wendell  
F. J. Gibbons  
O. B. Garthwaite  
J. B. McKenzie  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon

1913

W. H. C. Coles  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
O. B. Garthwaite  
A. R. Wendell  
F. J. Gibbons  
W. H. Weldon  
J. B. McKenzie  
H. H. Jardine

1914

W. H. C. Coles  
F. J. Gibbons  
David Armstrong  
O. B. Garthwaite  
A. R. Wendell  
F. C. Shotwell  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine  
C. W. Ludlow

1915

A. R. Wendell  
F. J. Gibbons  
H. H. Jardine  
F. C. Shotwell  
O. B. Garthwaite  
C. W. Ludlow  
David Armstrong  
W. H. Weldon  
W. H. C. Coles  
G. W. Mingus

1916

A. R. Wendell  
W. H. C. Coles  
O. B. Garthwaite  
David Armstrong  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon  
F. C. Shotwell  
C. W. Ludlow  
G. W. Mingus

1917

A. R. Wendell  
W. H. C. Coles  
F. J. Gibbons  
C. W. Ludlow  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine  
O. B. Garthwaite  
David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell

1918

W. H. C. Coles  
A. R. Wendell  
F. J. Gibbons  
O. B. Garthwaite  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine  
C. W. Ludlow  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
G. W. Mingus

1919

W. H. C. Coles  
A. R. Wendell  
F. J. Gibbons  
O. B. Garthwaite  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine  
C. W. Ludlow  
F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
George Squier  
T. C. Woodruff

1920

W. H. C. Coles  
A. R. Wendell  
F. J. Gibbons  
T. C. Woodruff  
David Armstrong  
George Squier  
F. C. Shotwell  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine

1921

W. H. C. Coles  
F. C. Shotwell  
F. J. Gibbons  
T. C. Woodruff  
George Squier  
H. H. Jardine  
W. H. Weldon  
David Armstrong

Seymour Williams

1922

W. H. C. Coles  
F. C. Shotwell  
F. J. Gibbons  
T. C. Woodruff  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
David Armstrong  
George Squier  
W. H. Weldon

1923

David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell  
F. J. Gibbons  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine  
T. C. Woodruff  
Thomas E. Ochiltree

1924

David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell  
F. J. Gibbons  
Thomas E. Ochiltree  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
W. H. Weldon  
H. H. Jardine  
Charles A. Schults, Sr.

1925

David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell  
F. J. Gibbons  
T. E. Ochiltree  
Harold S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
A. C. Brooks

1926

David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell  
C. A. Ward  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier

Mrs. Lucy C. Oliver

1927

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
C. A. Ward  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy C. Oliver

1928

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
C. A. Ward  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1929

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
C. A. Ward  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1930

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
C. A. Ward  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
H. H. Jardine  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1931

T. E. Ochiltree  
C. A. Ward  
David Armstrong  
F. C. Shotwell  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum

Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1932

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
C. A. Ward  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1933

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
T. E. Ochiltree  
H. S. Gibbons  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
George Squier  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1934

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
Edwin Haliday  
H. S. Gibbons  
George Squier  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
A. Fred Hope  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1935

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
A. Fred Hope  
Edwin Haliday  
H. S. Gibbons  
George Squier  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1936

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
A. Fred Hope  
Edwin Haliday

H. S. Gibbons  
George Squier  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1937

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
A. Fred Hope  
Edwin Haliday  
H. S. Gibbons  
George Squier  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Seymour Williams  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1938

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong

A. Fred Hope  
Seymour Williams  
Edwin Haliday  
H. S. Gibbons  
George Squier  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1939

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
A. Fred Hope  
Seymour Williams  
Edwin Haliday  
H. S. Gibbons  
George Squier  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1940

F. C. Shotwell

David Armstrong  
A. Fred Hope  
Seymour Williams  
J. D. Person  
F. G. Pfeiffer  
George Squier  
(Deceased)  
William McCollum  
Russell Hoff  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

1941

F. C. Shotwell  
David Armstrong  
A. Fred Hope  
Seymour Williams  
J. D. Person  
F. G. Pfeiffer  
William McCollum  
Russell S. Hoff  
F. J. Gibbons  
Mrs. Lucy Fitzpatrick

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rev. Buckley Carl	1812-1823
Amos Morse	1823-1830
	1831-1856
John W. Seymour	About 1830
Joseph T. Higgins	1856-1858
George W. Savage	1858-1861
Rev. S. S. Sheddan	1861-1866
Jeremiah Johnson, Jr.	1866-1874
William V. McKenzie	1874-1885
Edward C. Potter, Sr.	1885-1891
Charles R. Oliver	1892-1893
Alonzo France	1894-1896
James C. Waters	1897-1900
Rev. George H. Payson	1902
George T. Bugden	1903
F. G. Williams	1904-1907
Solomon C. Strong	1908-1914
Irving W. Story	1915-1926
Roy S. Armstrong	1927-1929
Chalmers Reed	1930-1934
E. Urner Goodman	1935-1940
Charles A. Schults, Jr.	1940-







